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Woolwich Arsenal Explosion

FIVE KILLED

London, Yesterday.
THE explosion at Woolwich Arsenal on Thursday was the subject of a question by Mr. E. G. Hicks (Labour, Woolwich East) in the House of Commons yesterday.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, replied that a serious accident took place at the proof butts when a test was being carried out with ordnance cordite for filling cartridges for 3.7 inch anti-aircraft guns.

No secret or experimental stores were involved, he said. Cartridge cases in work of this kind were filled with a propellant and dummy shot was used.

FIVE KILLED

A charge of about six lbs. of cordite was fired before the cartridge was properly placed in the gun. The case was blown out and fragments struck and killed five men and injured four others seriously.

Cause of the explosion was not yet known, and an enquiry was being held to determine the cause.

Mr. Hore-Belisha concluded by expressing sympathy with the relatives of those killed.—*Reuter.*

TURKEY WANTS ANGLO-SOVIET AGREEMENT

London, Yesterday.
Turkey is interested in acceleration of the Anglo-Soviet negotiations, writes "The Times" this morning, in reporting that the Turkish Ambassador, Dr. Rashti Aras, had a lengthy conference with the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, yesterday.

A report in the "Manchester Guardian" is also interesting in this connection.

Based on its information on news from Geneva, the newspaper declares that Turkey entered into the agreement with Britain on condition that a similar pact be concluded with Russia.—*Trans-Ocean.*

RAIL SMASH

Danzig, Yesterday.
The mishap to the Warsaw-Gdynia express on Wednesday was due to running at too high speed through Danzig station, according to the finding of the commission of enquiry.—*Reuter.*

DANZIG BAN ON POLISH PAPERS

Danzig, Yesterday.
The "Gazeta Gdanska," the only Polish newspaper published here, has been banned for three months, and two leading Polish newspapers have been banned for five months.
Two Polish religious processions which occur annually have been forbidden.
Calm prevails for the present in the Free City, according to the latest reports.—*Reuter.*

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TAKEN
IN ITALY

JAPAN'S FINAL DECISION

Tense Atmosphere In Inner Cabinet As Military Alliance With Axis Is Discussed



Members of the Civil Air Guard, National Women's Air Reserve, Air Defence Corps Cadets and the Auxiliary Fire Service, held a National Service Day at Romford Aerodrome on May 7 for dedication of National Service flags. Smart and workmanlike in white overalls and forage caps, these girls of the Air Reserve make an impressive sight as they march past. (Air Mail).

BRITAIN AND SOVIET DIFFERENCES NARROWING

London, Yesterday.

Britain and the Soviet are believed to have moved much closer together as the result of further diplomatic exchanges in the last 24 hours.

Official circles declare that Moscow's latest message has been extremely useful in clarifying the situation, and it is hoped that the further negotiations can be sufficiently advanced, in Paris and Geneva, to enable decisions to be taken at next Wednesday's meeting of the Cabinet.

Well-informed quarters state that Britain has now gone a long way to meeting the Soviet Government and the differences between them have appreciably lessened.

M. Maisky has left London for Geneva.—*Reuter.*

The newest British plan which is to serve as basis for further negotiations between London and Moscow is attracting an unusual amount of attention though detailed information regarding its contents is not yet available.

According to press reports, the plan which the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, took to (Continued on Page 4)

NAZIS AND SCHUSCHNIGG

Berlin, Yesterday.
Reports that Dr. Schuschnigg, former Chancellor of Austria, has been released by the Nazis, were set at rest to-day when it was stated that Dr. Schuschnigg is still at the Hotel Metropole, Vienna.

Certain facilities have been granted him recently regarding freedom of movements.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Rome, Yesterday.
The Italian Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, left Rome to-day accompanied by the War Secretary for his three-day visit to Berlin.—*Reuter.*

M. POTEMKIN MAY STILL BE THERE

London, Yesterday.
The possibility of the Soviet Deputy Foreign Commissioner, M. Potemkin, going to Geneva has not been abandoned by British political and press circles.

The "Daily Telegraph" declares this morning that there is still a likelihood of M. Potemkin's being present for the League Council meeting.

The paper believes, however, that his presence will depend on British acceptance of the compromise plan, and predicts that should this come about in Paris during the Anglo-French talks to-day, M. Potemkin will fly to Geneva.—*Trans-Ocean.*

NO TAXES

Jerusalem, Yesterday.
Because they disapprove the White Paper proposals for Palestine, the Jewish Landowners Association states it does not intend to pay Government taxes.—*Reuter.*

MEETING ON DANUBE STEAMER

London, Yesterday.
Importance is attached here to announcement of the meeting which is to take place on a Danube steamer to-morrow between the Rumanian and Yugoslavian Foreign Ministers, M. Gafencu and M. Marcovitch, will discuss the Balkan situation in the light of the Anglo-Turkish Agreement.—*Reuter.*

Five Hotel Fires In England

London, Yesterday.
Five fires in hotels occurred early this morning in different parts of the country.

Three of them occurred in Lancashire, one in Yorkshire and one at Eastbourne.

The police believe that, in every case, the fires were caused by I.R.A. sympathisers, but the damage done was trifling and no person was injured.

The police have now given warning to all hotel-keepers along the coast to take special precautions following the fires, which occurred at Eastbourne, Margate, Morecambe, Blackpool and Southport.

In each case the fires broke out in rooms booked last night by men who gave false names and have since disappeared.—*Reuter.*

FRANCE TO CEDE SANJAK

Paris, Yesterday.
The French Cabinet met this morning and put the finishing touches to the proposed agreement with Turkey on the same lines as the Anglo-Turkish Agreement.

It is understood that France is prepared to cede the Sanjak of Alexandretta to Turkey. This question had been holding up the negotiations.—*Reuter.*

Military Force Issue Over Kulangsu

TOKYO, YESTERDAY.

AN OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE ISSUED TO THE JAPANESE PRESS FOLLOWING A LONG CONFERENCE OF THE INNER COUNCIL OF THE CABINET THIS MORNING ANNOUNCES THAT "THE FINAL DECISION WAS TAKEN REGARDING JAPAN'S POLICY TOWARDS THE SITUATION IN EUROPE."

Nothing has been disclosed regarding the nature of the decision, but it is believed, in well-informed Tokyo circles, that it concerned the forming of a direct alliance with the Axis Powers.

Both Germany and Italy have been bringing strong pressure to bear upon the Japanese Government in the last few weeks, but there have been strong resistances within the Government.

The military clique have made no attempt to hide the fact that they were anxious to conclude a military alliance with the Axis. It is safe, therefore, to assume that Baron Hiranuma and Mr. Arita have been among opponents of this policy.

Events at Kulangsu and the flat refusal of both Britain and America to consider any changes in the Administration of the International Settlement, in the present abnormal circumstances, are believed here to have created an opportunity for the military to force the issue.

TENSE ATMOSPHERE

The atmosphere at the council of the Inner Cabinet is reported to have been extremely tense, as indicated by the fact that the decision was reached only after two and a half hours.

Mr. Arita, the Foreign Minister, General Itagaki, the War Minister, and Admiral Yonai, of the Navy, are reported to have done the most talking.

Mr. Arita, according to Japanese newspaper correspondents, has been swerving from opposition to the alliance in the last few days. On the other hand, there is reason to believe that the Navy chief strongly opposed the alliance.

SPECULATIVE

Until official announcement is forthcoming, however, discussion as to the nature of the decisions must be premature and speculative.

Following the meeting, the Prime Minister, Baron Hiranuma submitted a report of the proceedings to the Emperor, after which members of the Cabinet not present at the meeting were provided with the report.

It is understood that the Foreign Minister will address the Privy Council on the international situation on Wednesday, when he will define Japan's attitude on various questions.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

London, Yesterday.
The death occurred to-day of General Sir Thomas Astley Cubitt, former Governor of Bermuda, at the age of 82.—*Reuter.*

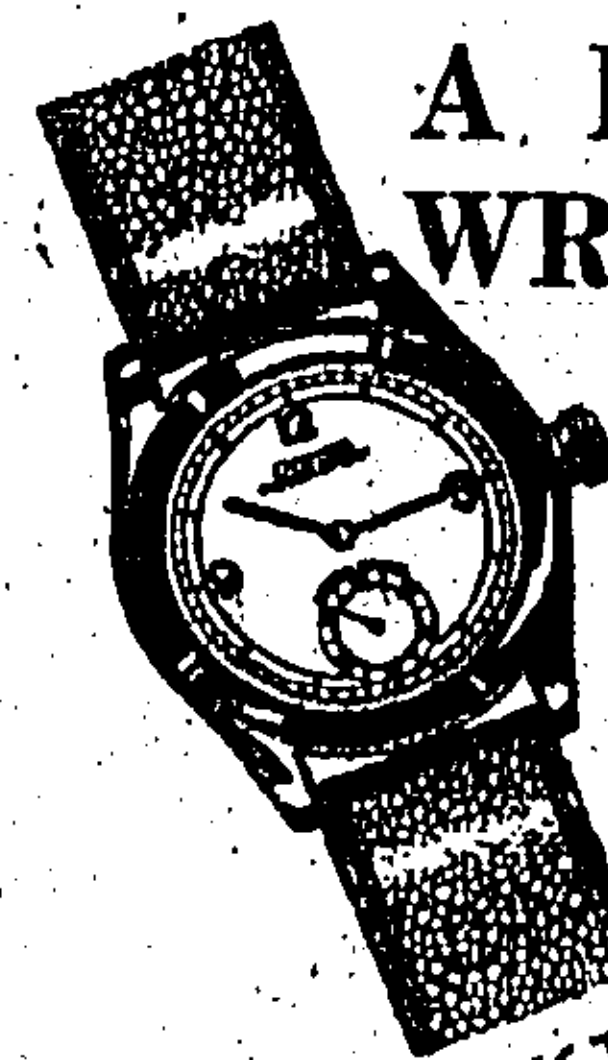
Five Inches Of Rain

The Colony's reservoirs benefited considerably yesterday when almost five inches of rainfall were recorded by the Royal Observatory during the 36 hours ended at 10 p.m.

During the first 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. yesterday the Observatory registered a total of 2.76 inches, and in the course of the following 12 hours, 1.68 inches were recorded.

The total rainfall since the beginning of the year up to 10 a.m. yesterday is 30.29 inches.

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Two little Princesses, with the Princess Royal at Waterloo Station after seeing their mother and father off on their tour of Canada. Princess Margaret Rose looks a little forlorn.

IL DUCE AT HIS BEST

Milani, Yesterday.

MUSSOLINI made another of his bellicose speeches at Aosta to-day in the course of his tour of the Italian frontier fortifications.

Shouts of "Nice, Savoy" greeted Il Duce's statement that "Our Alpine troops will destroy all illusions from whatever quarter."

Italy, he continued, could await the future with calm, as she had a million men ready to fight and had "arms to give to wise men."

Mussolini declared: "I do not know which of the two ways out of the dilemma the democracies will choose. We wait calmly and prepare for all eventualities."

JOY IN LIFE!

"In sixteen years we have proved the irresistible force of our arms and determination. All those who enjoyed the protection of the democracies have failed. The group of those whose only joy in life is to sit on the banks of the Thames and ponder, is ever increasing."

Il Duce concluded: "I believe you share my deep conviction: we have been victorious to-day and we shall be victorious to-morrow and in all the future."—*Trans-Ocean.*



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Mary Benedetta Suggests That You SLIM in the GYM

MANY people think slimming has to be a kind of mental and physical torture. Vanity makes them "go through with it," but they hate every moment of the process. That is only because they have chosen the tedious unattractive ways of slimming.

"Banting" is a great hardship to someone with a healthy appetite. Besides, it becomes very awkward when your hostess has ordered a good dinner for you and you have to refuse nearly everything on the menu.

Another reason why they learn to hate slimming is because they force themselves to take some form of exercise which they loathe—such as walking a dreary four miles a day. If you like walking, well and good, but if not choose something within your scope that you do like.

One way you can spend an amusing hour or so, and one very profitable to your reducing, is in a special beauty gymnasium. I found Betty Astell and Dodo Watts there one morning, and they certainly did not look as though they were "enduring" it. To keep a figure like theirs, and yet enjoy doing it, is something worth while.

Riding the Camel

I watched them taking turns at all the different apparatus. There was a machine which made all the movements of a camel, though of course without

actually covering any distance. Going for a ride on it meant the muscles round the waist and hips were made supple. The camel reduced the fat round the middle of the body.

Riding on the mechanical horse was nearly as good as the real thing and exercised the same muscles as real riding. By moving a lever you could make it trot, canter, or gallop.

Then there was a rowing machine and two kinds of special slimming machines. One had a row of beaters that gave you a mechanical massage on the hips to reduce them. The other was the better-known electric slimming belt, that you can use all round your body.

When I went into the gymnasium, where I met Dodo Watts and Betty Astell, I was greeted by some graceful girls in pale blue shorts and white shirts, who act as demonstrators for the slimming exercises. Most of these exercises are done on a soft mattress on the floor and one carries them out to music.

Before I left the gymnasium I watched Miss Astell and Miss Watts have a strenuous race on two bicycles. The bicycles never moved, but there were speedometers on the wall which marked out distances in yards, according to the speed of the pedalling.

Home Slimming

Anyone really very fat, who was going in for serious re-

ducing, and not just "keeping their figure," could not rely on the gymnasium alone. They would do well to get some perfectly safe vegetable slimming tablets which have to be taken at certain times every day.

For a home slimming exercise Betty Astell gave me one of the best tips I have heard. The idea originated in America and she learned it from an American friend who came to visit her.

It goes like this. First, stand with feet 24 in. apart. Stretch right arm up. Swing it down to left foot, changing balance on to left foot. Thus left knee is bent and right leg straight. Stretch right up again. Go down to right foot, reversing balance again. Repeat this exercise once or twice.

Then go down to left foot. Bring it up straight with body facing left leg. With right arm make sweep from left to come half way across the body. Sweep continues right through till it touches right foot and finishes at left foot.

Next, start with body facing left, hands straight out in front. Make three-quarter swing touching right foot, then left foot, finishing 12 in. above left foot.

The next movement is begun with the body facing front. Take hand straight down to right foot and across left foot. Swing arm right up to top of the D. Lastly, the arm starts on level with left shoulder; goes across in half sweep and then goes down from right side to left foot. Finish 12 in. above left foot.

Twice Daily

Betty Astell does this first thing in the morning and last thing at night. In the morning it is invigorating and in the evening it makes one sleep well.

Dodo Watts is one of the few people in the world with a really perfect figure. She does not give much time to exercises, but without "banting," she is careful over her diet. No bacon and eggs for breakfast is the order of her day. She has warm grapefruit juice instead.

Dancing can do a great deal for you in the way of slimming. Tessa Deano turns on her gramophone and spends all her spare moments dancing round the room.

ORIENTAL SUNDAY

Two cups hot water, 3 dessertspoons sugar, 2 dessertspoons gelatine, juice two lemons, 3 bananas, 3 passionfruit, sponge cake, cochenal.

Dissolve gelatine in hot water, add sugar, lemon juice and enough cochenal to colour bright red. Cut cake into squares, place in glass dish, pour in jelly, cut bananas into rounds, add passionfruit. Allow to set. Serve with cream or custard.

To Keep Cheese

To keep cheese fresh, wrap in a cloth that has been dipped in vinegar and wrung as dry as possible. Keep in a cool place.

"Beat It"

You can learn a dance called "Beat It," which is composed entirely of limbering and slimming exercises. It is amusing to do and attractive to watch. You can use it as an exhibition dance to entertain your friends. Once you have learnt the dance, no further expense is involved, as you can go on practising it at home as long as you like. There are two grades in it, one for beginners and one for the more advanced.

No matter how smart your clothes are, if you stand or walk badly or sit in a huddle, their effect is completely spoiled. Everywhere you go you can see examples of bad deportment.

There is the girl who, from always being in a hurry, walks with her body bent forward. She looks as if she is going into the tooth of a stiff gale. Subconsciously she thinks the position makes for speed.

Polish Up

Occasional tiredness after the day's work sometimes makes a girl take to sitting in a permanent huddle. Often women think it useful to stand with all their weight on one leg. Then they begin to go about with bent knees. Only the people who use the whole of their legs to stand on, from the hips downwards, look well in their clothes.

A good suggestion is that you go and polish up your ballroom dancing. There is nothing better for teaching you to hold yourself well and move gracefully as the groundwork of ballroom dancing. It makes you straighten out your knees and have perfect balance.

Daily slimming exercises at home are far less arduous when you can get one of those gramophone records that teach them. You have a chart pinned on the wall from which to learn the positions. While you are doing them a girl with a charming voice directs you from the gramophone record. She counts for you and, after the difficult movements, she gives you a word of encouragement! There is music to help you keep in time—and don't forget to keep one eye on the chart.

When One Is Below Par

It often pays when one can buy shares of a new issue below par; it is much more profitable to be in a position to get in on the "ground floor," that is, to take up shares before they are offered to the investing public. Even the purchase of shares below par is beneficial, provided the company concerned is a sound one, since the shares are likely to appreciate in capital value in the future.

Below par has, however, another meaning. This is in connection with health. To be below par or to have "ground floor" health is a serious matter, since the possession of robust health and abundant vitality and energy means so much to the happiness and success of life. Unfortunately many people to-day are in a "below par" condition as regards their health.

The one way of ensuring capital appreciation so far as health is concerned is by providing the body, brain and nerves with all the vital nutritive elements. This is not the difficult or expensive business that is imagined by some. There is a simple way in which the desired end may be obtained.

Just carry on as usual with the ordinary meals, making them, of course, as attractive and appetising as possible, but make each meal complete by serving Ovaltine. As a complete food it possesses a value far beyond the pleasure which it gives.

To Whiten Clothes

Add a little ammonia and borax to water in which clothes are soaked and it will whiten them and make them easier to wash.

Something New!



The navy blue town coat has a large square patch which fastens at the centre-front with four brilliant Chinoise pink patterned with lines of tiny white woolly lambs, which at first sight appear to be stripes. The other print dress has groups of small zebras on a raspberry ground. The front of the bodice is formed by a very wide scarf which is tucked through the belt.

Syrups For Cool Drinks

THE present abnormally hot weather makes us all long for ices and iced drinks at frequent intervals.

Ices, sweets, puddings can all be made interesting when the cook has a selection of syrups at hand. These can be bought in variety at any large store, but many women like to give the glamour of "home-made" to such concoctions.

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Strain to remove the pips and to each pint of juice add 1½ lb. loaf sugar. Bring slowly to boiling-point, then simmer for 10 minutes, and pour into sterilised bottles. Cork and store in the refrigerator.

ORANGE

Take 3½ lb. of pounded loaf sugar, half a pint of strained orange juice, and a tablespoonful of lemon juice, and bring slowly to the boil. Then simmer gently, removing the scum as it rises.

When clear strain, and when cold bottle in small bottles. Cork and seal.

This is useful for flavouring, may be added to soda water and other beverages, or is good with plain water. It is useful in the sick room.

PINEAPPLE

Peel, core, and cut up as much pineapple as required, cover with water for 24 hours, or less, then bring to the boil and let it simmer for an hour.

Strain and allow one cupful of sugar to one cupful of juice. Put one to boil again for 20 minutes. When cold add 2 oz. tartaric acid and bottle as soon as acid has dissolved.

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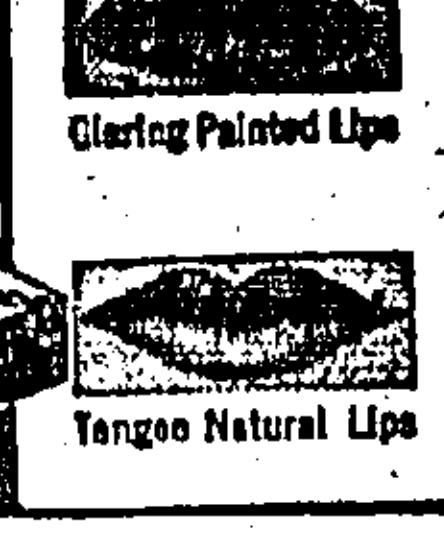


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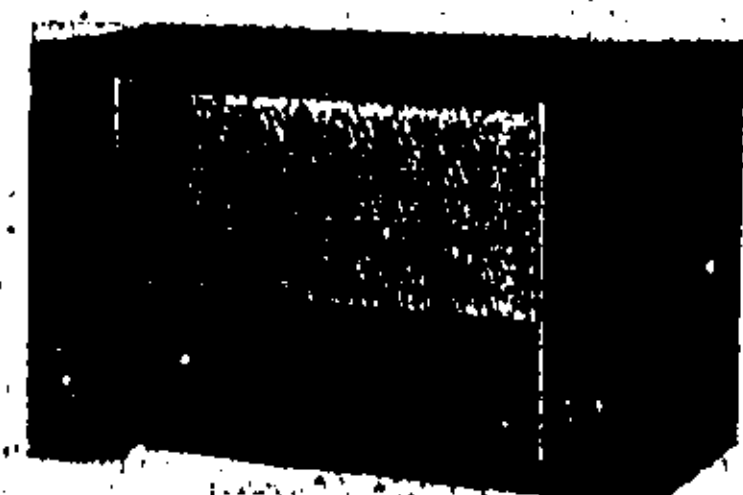
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Conscription And The Working Man

IN the important debate that took place in the House of Commons on the subject of conscription there was no speech delivered that deserves greater attention than that of Mr. George Hicks, Member of Parliament for East Woolwich and General Secretary of the Amalgamated Union of Building Trade Workers of Great Britain and Ireland. Following him as I did immediately in debate I failed perhaps to do full justice to what was in fact a weighty pronouncement. Mr. Hicks spoke as one of the most important representatives in the House of Commons of the Trade Union movement and his speech made manifest the qualities that belong to that movement—the good as well as the bad—its weakness and its strength.

It was in the first place the speech of a patriot. Nobody has ever doubted though many are occasionally inclined to forget the sound patriotism of the Trade Unionists. "We love our Country. Make no mistake about that," he said. The plain statement, devoid of rhetoric carried conviction to the heart. It came as a timely reminder to some of us in Great Britain who feel so passionately in favour of conscription at the present time that in moments of controversy we are tempted to question the honesty of the convictions of others.

Native

Shrewdness

There was evidence also in that speech of the native shrewdness of the British Trade Unionist. Referring to the speech that Herr Hitler was

then about to deliver, Mr. Hicks expressed the view that if it were extremely bellicose and threatened immediate war there would be no cause for alarm, but that if it was of a pacific character, if the soft pedal were applied, then we had better look out, and the warning was accompanied by an expressive wink which would have convinced anybody who saw it that whomever else Herr Hitler may deceive he will never be able to

By The Rt. Hon.
ALFRED DUFF-COOPER
Former First Lord of The Admiralty

bamboozle the British working man.

It is devoutly to be hoped that the warning will have been taken to heart not only by Mr. Hicks' fellow trade unionists but also by those in higher places who have been so disastrously eager to accept at their face value the assurance of the Fuehrer and who have in the past so rapturously welcomed his every application of the soft pedal as a sure proof of his pacific intentions. It is devoutly to be hoped that His Majesty's Ambassador will at last grow tired of obsequiously waiting on Herr von Ribbentrop's doorstep and being turned away by the sniggering flunkies in order to make room for the representative of Jugo-Slavia.

Far From

Perfect

Trade Unionists, however, patriotic and shrewd as they may be, are like many of us far from perfect. Good qualities often carry their defects with them. The defect of patriotism is self-importance—the defect of shrewdness is suspicion. Running through the speech of Mr. Hicks there was noticeable a sense of injury. "We were doing our best to make one system work successfully, why has another been adopted without consulting us. If the Government wanted more men why didn't they say so? We would have done our best to supply them?"

It is difficult not to feel some sympathy with the complaint. The true answer—possibly—could not be given. It could not be said that the British Government themselves had only made up their minds, or changed them at the last minute—that the reluctance of certain members of the Government—and not the least important—had been so hard to overcome that no time had been left for consultation with the Opposition if the announcement was to be made before Herr Hitler's speech.

The Trade Union Congress do not like to be hustled. They are a slow moving body—slower than the Cabinet—and they were very badly hustled last week. If a man who is inclined to be suspicious, finds himself hustled in a crowd, he will immediately suspect that somebody is trying to pick his pocket. The Trade Unionists, who are exceptionally prone to suspicion, finding themselves hustled into conscription, suspect immediately that there is a hidden trap and that the rights which they have fought for so steadfastly and cling to so tenaciously may be in danger. In the calling to the colours of a single class of men they detect the very thin end of an enormous wedge.

Flustered

And Offended

The Trade Unions represent a very important section of the

manhood and the opinion of Great Britain. They have been flustered and offended. Their pride has been hurt and their suspicions aroused. They have gone off on the wrong tack. It is of the highest importance that their energies should be re-orientated in the right direction. Here is a problem of statesmanship which should not prove impossible of solution.

There is nothing in the philosophy upon which Trade Unionism is based which quarrels with the principle of conscription. Trade Unionists believe that the conditions on which men work should not be left to free bargaining between workman and employer. They believe that the State should insist upon the employer observing certain rules and paying certain wages even though it is possible and profitable for him to do otherwise. They believe that man has a duty to the State and that the State should insist upon their doing that duty. The first duty of a man when the State is in danger is to defend it. Why should Trade Unionists object to the State insisting upon the performance of that duty?

Before

It is Too Late

I have recently received a copy of a deeply interesting document which has been addressed to Sir Walter Citrine by a dozen signatories who describe themselves as members of the rank and file of the Trade Union Movement. The covering letter is dated April 26th but the printed manifesto which it encloses and which is headed "Conscription and the Unions" must have been drawn up before it was known that the British Government intended to introduce conscription.

The message it conveys is short and simple. "Is it not time the working man began to think? It is he who will take the can back, if war comes. It is he who will be fighting in the trenches while the bombers smash in his little home. Let us speak now before it is too late. Our homes, the progress of our class, the peace and freedom of this country and of the world, demand that this country be put under orders now—orders to wealth as well as labour—orders to the country as a whole. Compulsion has no terrors for the working man. He has known it all his life. All his life the working man has fought for freedom. If he can teach this lesson to the country now, he can yet save the Country and world freedom."

Meeting

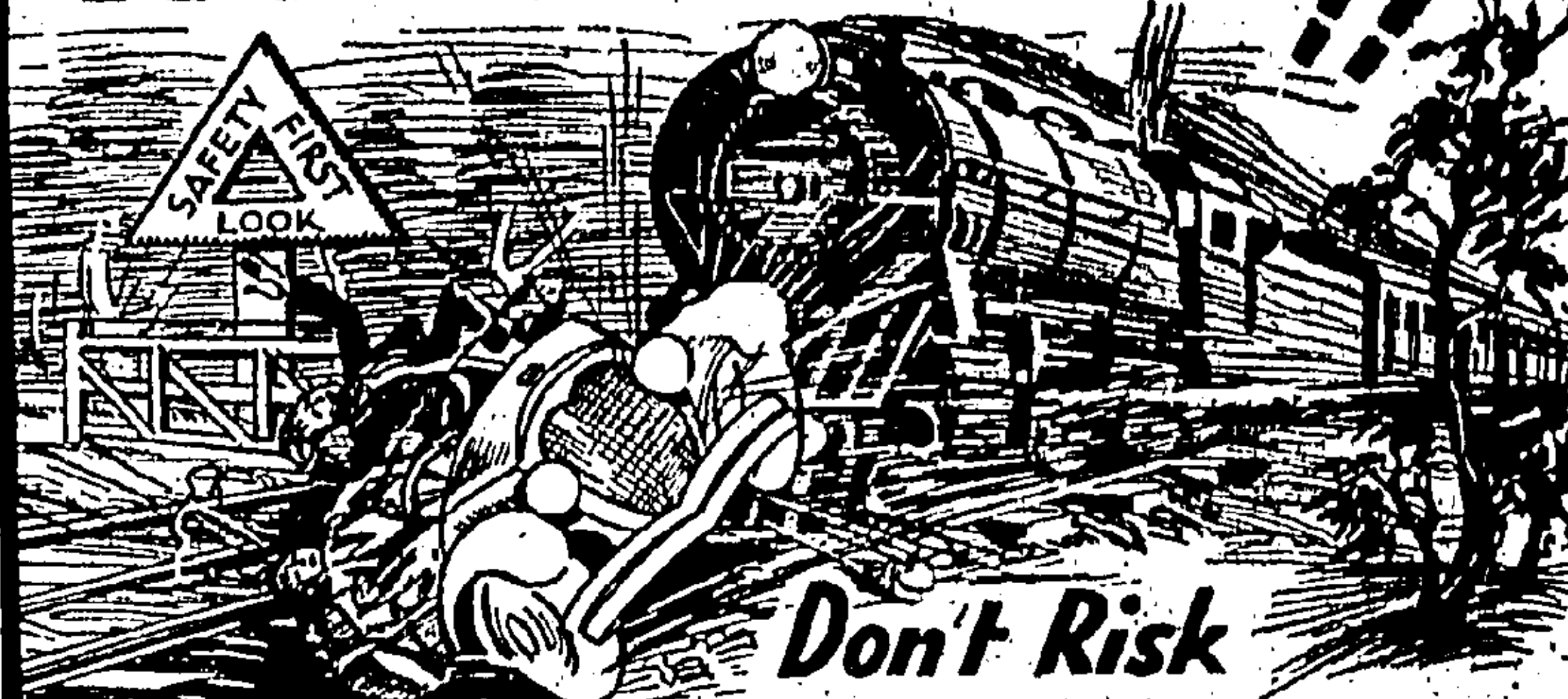
Half Way

The document concludes, with a programme including restriction of profits, drastic measures to deal with unemployment, compulsory training, civil or military with compensation for defendants and expansion of the armaments programme without interference with the social services.

I hope and believe that these opinions are shared by many of the more vigorous and thoughtful members of the working class and that they have only to be more widely preached in order to find almost universal acceptance. The appeal was addressed to Sir Walter Citrine. I do not know what reply he has made to it. Meanwhile it is for the British Government to take action, to heal the breach which the Trade Unions which should never have been allowed to occur, to meet them half way—and further than half way if that be necessary, in order to unite in policy and action a people that are already united in heart.

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FOUR BATTERIES FOR VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY: 250 RECRUITS WANTED

It is intimated in connection with the forceful appeal for recruits made by His Excellency the G.O.C., Major-General A. E. Grasett, at the annual dinner of the H.K.V.D.C. on Friday night, that the branch most urgently in need of recruits to bring it up to desired strength is the Corps Artillery.

Already one of the strongest branches, being composed of about 150 officers and men, it is desired as part of the extensive re-organisation of the Volunteers recently announced, to enrol at least 400 men in this branch.

H.K. SINGERS AND REFUGEE EDUCATION

The work of the Emergency Refugee Council which was formed a year ago has increased greatly not only in scope but also in usefulness.

Of the many aspects of this work, none is of more importance than the education of the children who, through no fault of their own, have been rendered homeless and destitute by ruthless war; it is of vital interest to the future of South China, that those who were attending schools should not have their schooling interrupted or terminated, and it is a great opportunity to give to the others the benefits of a modern elementary education.

This work has already been undertaken by the Education Sub-Committee of the Emergency Refugee Council and they urgently need funds.

The colony is fortunate in having a society like the Hong Kong Singers who are always ready to help charitable organizations. This Society, whose objects are to make music for its own sake and in the rendering of the best in choral music, to strive to give pleasure to others and to help deserving causes financially, has established a proud record in Hong Kong. It is now completing its fourth year, and thanks not only to the calibre of its conductors, first Mr. Anderson Miller, then Mr. Lindsay Lafford and now Mr. Rupert Baldwin, but also to the keenness and energy of the members, a high choral standard has been attained. That this is appreciated by the Hong Kong community is proved by the fact that the Society does not have to ask for financial help; it is not only self-supporting but has been the means of distributing to charities, mostly local, over \$5,000 in the past four years.

The next concert, by the Singers will be given in St. John's Cathedral on Friday evening next, the 26th May at 8.20 p.m. when Handel's "Messiah" will be rendered. Both the Patron, His Excellency The Governor, and the President, The Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, have intimated their intention to be present.

Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Lockhart are the soprano and contralto soloists respectively while the tenor and bass solos are being taken by Gato, Aquino and L. T. Hido; the orchestra is being conducted by Mr. Rupert Baldwin, whose work with St. Andrew's choir and the annual University Carol concert has made him well known in Hong Kong. The chorus will comprise over 50 voices. The work is not to be performed in its entirety, but most of the well known arias and choruses are included. During the interval, a collection

The Corps Artillery is, under the reorganisation scheme, to comprise four Batteries, instead of two.

The First Battery was formerly divided into Right and Left Section. It is to build up to full strength on the Right Section.

The Second Battery, which is a beach defence battery, is nearing full strength.

LEFT SECTION NUCLEUS. The new Third Battery will be built up by using some of the men of the Left Section (1st Battery) as a nucleus. The Third Battery's duties will be somewhat similar to those of the First.

The new Fourth Battery will also draw on the old Left Section for its nucleus in organisation. It is understood that this Battery will be responsible for manning certain smaller guns of the Fortress.

The role of the artillery units in the Volunteers has obviously been greatly extended. Success of the scheme, however, depends entirely upon getting the necessary additional personnel, for what is one of the most interesting phases of Volunteer work. Some 250 men are urgently needed.

UNIQUE BAND IN COLONY

Annabella's All-Girl-Swing Band, playing in the Colony for the first time, drew a capacity crowd to the China Emporium Ballroom last evening.

The Band, comprising eight Russian woman musicians, came from Hanoi where they have just completed a successful season at the "Taverna." They are on their way to Shanghai.

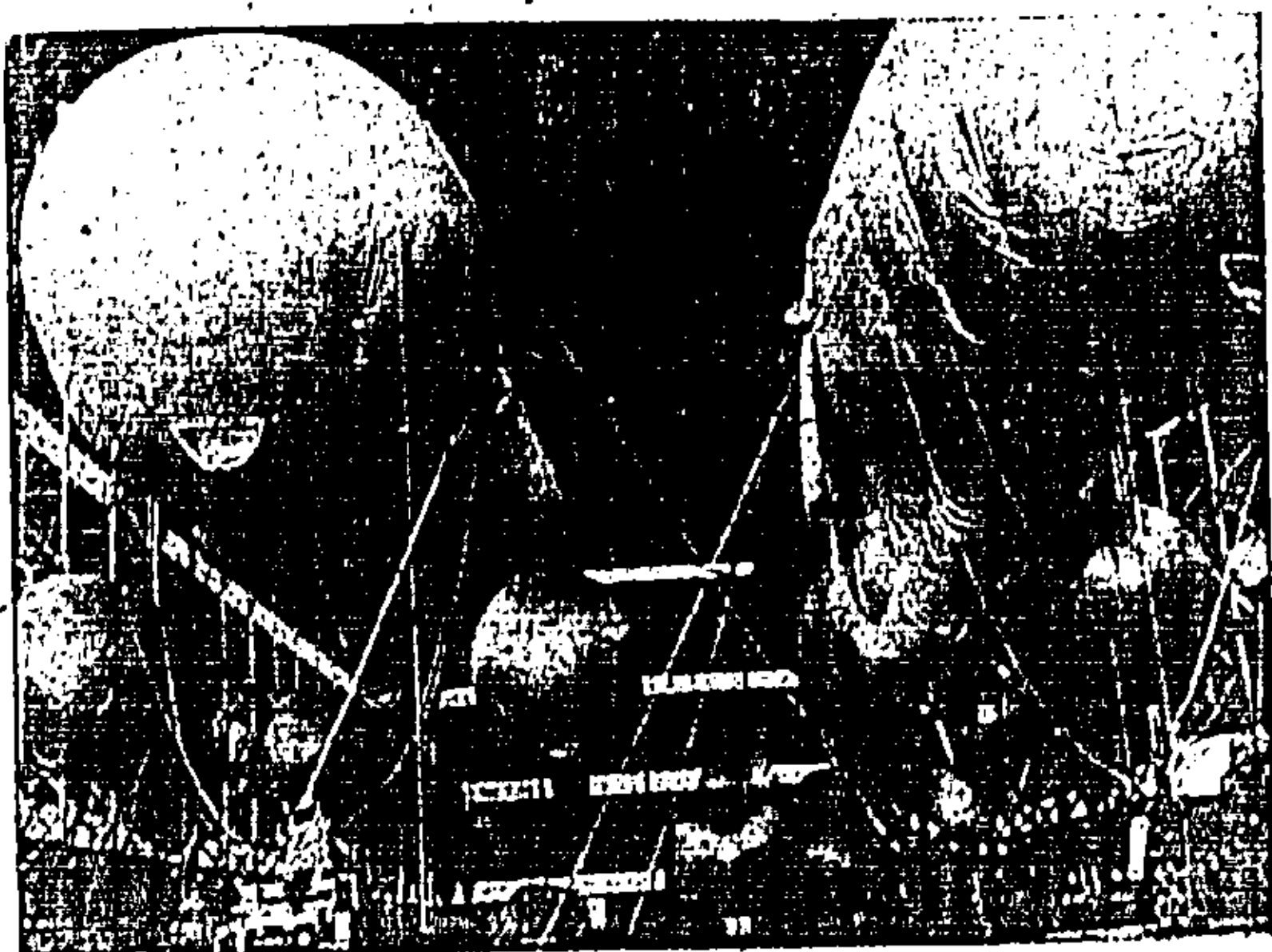
They sail to-day in the ss. Kingsu.

The leader of the band is Miss E. M. Riekin, who has two brothers playing in the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra.

will be taken in aid of the Refugee Camp Schools. It is hoped that the public of Hong Kong will take this opportunity of materially assisting this good cause while at the same time renewing their acquaintance with Handel's popular oratorio.

SEVERE FIGHTING ON CENTRAL HUPEH FRONT

Casualties High In Violent Struggle In Hills



BALLOON BARRAGE FOR EMPIRE AIR DAY. One of the most interesting stations open to the public yesterday was the R.A.F. Balloon Centre at Cardington, Beds. Visitors were able to see how the balloons are housed and how they are inflated and sent up. Photo shows a view inside one of the immense sheds which house the balloons at Cardington. (Air Mail).

EMPIRE AIR DAY: 5,000 CRAFT ON VIEW

London, Yesterday. To-day was Empire Air Day, when the Royal Air Force celebrated the 21st birthday of its establishment as a separate Service.

Seventy-eight aerodromes throughout Britain were opened to the public, who saw 5,000 different types of planes.

Flight-Commander Stanforth, who formerly held the speed record, intends to fly through the skies at a cruising speed of nearly 300 miles an hour and proposes to cover 1,000 miles, during which he will visit various aerodromes, in about four hours in a Spitfire fighter. — Reuter.

\$600 LOST

How and where he lost \$600 in Chinese currency, Mr. Leonard F. Newham, of No. 510, The Peak, is unable to explain.

The money was contained in a small box, and, according to his report to the Police, the box was lost either in the Gloucester Hotel reception room or from his bedroom.

ROAD MYSTERY

The body of a young Chinese girl was found on the road-side in Tung tau village, New Territories, yesterday.

The girl was about 13 years old and had been removed to the Kowloon Mortuary. There were no signs of external injuries or foul play.

PRECAUTIONS IN S.W. AFRICA TO CONTINUE

Capetown, Yesterday. The body of police recently sent by the Union Government to South-West Africa are remaining there as long as may be necessary. General Smuts, the Deputy Premier, announced in the House of Assembly to-day.

General Smuts added that the threatened danger and trouble, given as reasons for despatch of the police, were still such as to make it necessary for them to remain. — Reuter.

NEW GUNBOATS ARRIVING FOR YANGTSE

H.M.S. DRAGONFLY, ONE OF THE LARGEST BRITISH RIVER GUNBOATS BUILT SINCE THE GREAT WAR, HAS ARRIVED IN THE COLONY AND IS NOW AT THE KOWLOON DOCKS.

The vessel is of 582 tons and slightly smaller than H.M.S. Scorpion, flagship of the Yangtze Patrol. It was built by Messrs. Thornycroft's Woolston Works, and will be used on the Yangtze. H.M.S. Grasshopper, sister ship to H.M.S. Dragonfly, is also on its way to the Colony, for service on the Yangtze. She is expected this week.

Dragonfly is undergoing overhaul prior to being placed in commission.

CAR THEFTS CONTINUE

TO OBTAIN FREE GASOLINE IS SAID TO BE ONE OF THE OBJECTS OF CAR "THIEVES" IN THE COLONY.

Many of the cars disappearing from car-parks have been found abandoned with petrol tanks empty a few miles from where they were left by their owners.

Mr. T. Choi, of 95, Robinson Road, has reported that his car No. 4163, valued at \$1,000, was stolen at about 11.30 a.m. yesterday from Statue Square.

Mr. L. Cheung, of No. 42, Ship Street, also lost his car. It was parked in Hoi Fung Road.

Last night three more private motor-cars were "stolen."

Mr. Hamilton, residing at Watson's Apartments, parked his car, No. 1634, at the Star Ferry Car Park. Returning at about 7.15 p.m. he found it missing.

Mr. Campbell, of Stanley, reported that his car, No. 2339, was stolen from Statue Square Car Park between 7.15 a.m. and 9.30 a.m., and Mrs. Pan, residing at No. 108, Wellington Street, lost her car, No. 3392, between 2.30 a.m. and 7.45 p.m. from the Chater Road Car Park.

While walking in Caine Road near Seymour Road on Friday at about 10.30 a.m. Miss J. Chan, residing at the Chinese Y.W.C.A. in Bonham Road, had her hand-bag snatched. The bag and contents were valued at \$25.

SEMI-CIRCLE ROUND JAPANESE

Chungking, Yesterday.

The last few days have witnessed very fierce fighting, with heavy losses on both sides, in the region between Kuchan and Tensien, Nanyang, Fancheng and Wuyang.

The present first line of Chinese defences from Hsiangyang to Singyea, Tangho and Tungpeh is being manned by fresh troops, which are co-operating with the southern column. The latter are engaged in harassing the Japanese along the Ichang-Hankow road, as well as pushing forward in the direction of Chunghsiang, thus forming a large semi-circle around the advancing Japanese.

JAPANESE DRUG-PEDDLING IN CHINA

Geneva, Yesterday. Dr. Hoo Chi-tsai, Chinese Government delegate, and Mr. Stuart Fuller, United States expert, explained to the League of Nations committee to-day how the Japanese authorities encourage illegal drug traffic in Chinese territories under Japanese control.

Dr. Hoo maintained that the Japanese openly tolerate opium dens and secret drug factories on payment of a tax.

He alleged that Japanese consulates are used as distribution centres for the drugs which are carried in military lorries and warships.

Dr. Hoo called public opinion to stop the Japanese activities, which were, he said, an international menace. — Reuter.

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE BAZAAR

A two-day bazaar, starting yesterday afternoon and to continue throughout to-day, starting at 1.30 p.m., is being held at St. Paul's College by the Young Baptist People's Association, proceeds to go to war relief funds.

The College was lent for the purpose by the school authorities, while many local firms sent articles and opened stalls at the Bazaar. The proceeds are to be sent to China for refugees there, or to refugee funds in Hong Kong.

Because of the uncertain weather, the bazaar was three hours late in starting yesterday.

FIRST AID EXAM.

Following an examination in First Aid in Chinese at the Queen Mary Hospital taken by Drs. S. Y. and H. Y. Cheng, the following ladies will be awarded the St. John Ambulance Association Certificate in First Aid in due course:—Chu Zou Leung; Chen Yuek Lan; Chen King Ming; Cheung Shun Mong; Chiu Lai King; Chan Wai Lin; Chan Mai Yin; Chue Tsau Hung; Chung San Yin; Chan Tak Hing; Chiu Mei Ching; Kwong Sau Fong; Ku Lin Oi; Ng Yuen Chun; Wong Yuk Chun; Wong Yuet Sing; Ho Yan Ching; Lau Wai Hing; Li Sau Ha; Li Kam Chuen; Lai Shiu Ying; Lo Chung Fai; Lee Fung Lok; Lau Foon Yung; Li Po Fai; Lai Suei Ying; Li Po Fai; Lai Ping U; Lai Kwai Sang; Sun Hung Bun; Yip Sun Oi; Yau Kwan Fung; Yu Hon Ying; Yau Wai Fun; Yip Mary; Yau Wai Choe.

INDIAN STILL IN HOSPITAL

The case in which Mr. H. K. Muller, 29, of Hankow Road, who has appeared on several occasions on a charge of assaulting Indian constable B.310, Nur Khan, at Blake Pier on April 22 at about 1 o'clock in the morning, was again adjourned yesterday, with defendant on \$250 bail, to May 25, by Mr. R. Edwards. The Indian constable has not yet been discharged from hospital.

NO FURTHER DISORDERS IN PALESTINE

LONDON, YESTERDAY. THERE HAVE BEEN NO FURTHER DISORDERS SINCE THE FIRST OUTBURST BY THE JEWS IN JERUSALEM.

It is revealed that the Commander-in-Chief called the leaders of the Jewish community to his office and "warned that any further incidents would be sternly dealt with."

He declared that he looked upon the shooting of the British policeman as a case of murder.

Meantime, Rumanian Jews have sent telegrams to Mr. Chamberlain and President Roosevelt protesting against the White Paper policy.

In Poland, all Jews are to close their shops for one day as a mark of indignation. — Reuter Bulletin.

WEDDING AT ST. MARY'S

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, IN CAUSEWAY BAY, WAS THE SCENE OF A PRETTY CHINESE WEDDING YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, WHEN MISS ANNA SETO FUNG-YEE, OF NO. 9, STAFFORD ROAD, BECAME THE BRIDE OF MR. ALFRED FUNG KWOK-HING, OF NO. 13, OBSERVATORY ROAD. THE REV. S. K. Y. LEE OFFICIATED AT THE CEREMONY.

The bride was formerly a student of the Fu Tan University in Shanghai, and the bridegroom is a student of the St. Stephen's College.

Mr. C. B. Wong, discharged the duties of best man, while Miss K. S. Chiu was the bridesmaid.

Following the Church ceremony, a Chinese dinner reception was held at the Kam Ling Restaurant, at West Point.

The couple both left on their honeymoon which is being spent at Repulse Bay.

ICE HOUSE ST. CAFE ROBBED

One hundred and nineteen packets of cigarettes were stolen from the San Boston Cafe in Ice House Street between 12 midnight and 9.30 a.m. yesterday.

The manager of the Cafe, Mr. Ng Tao, in a report to the Police, stated that the thief smashed one of the windows to get at the cigarettes.

Total loss suffered, including the broken window, was estimated at \$105.

STAFF TOUR IN FRANCE

London, Yesterday. Accompanied by numerous Staff officers, Lt.-Gen. Williams, General Officer Commanding Eastern Command, arrived in France to-day for a week's tour of the battlefields.

The tour was arranged for the benefit of a numerous party of young officers without experience of real war conditions. — Reuter.

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Anglo-Soviet Parleys

Paris with him for discussion with the French Premier, M. Daladier, and the Foreign Minister, Mr. Bonnet, is based on the French proposals.

It is said to contain important concessions to the Soviet viewpoint.

FRENCH PLAN

The French plan differs from the Soviet proposals, says the diplomatic correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph," in that the wishes of Finland, Estonia and Latvia to be included in the guarantees of the great Powers, are taken into consideration.

Analysing the differences between Britain and the Soviet, the diplomatic correspondent of "The Times" says that Russia desires a three-power pact, whereas Britain favours mutual declarations by all Powers.

The Russian pact would extend far beyond the limits of the assurances provided for in the British proposals.

Britain believes, says "The Times," that primary attention should be directed towards Poland and Rumania, since these two countries would be the first to be threatened. — Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH CONFERENCE

Paris, Yesterday. The question of compromise proposals in the Anglo-Soviet negotiations loomed important on

the political horizon to-day as reports circulated, that the French Premier, M. Daladier, and the British Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, will discuss ways and means of solving the difficulties during their conference this afternoon.

M. Daladier is said to have gone over the proposals with M. Bonnet, yesterday, but the greatest secrecy is being maintained regarding their nature.

In the meantime, the Paris press devotes considerable attention to Mr. Neville Chamberlain's declaration before the House of Commons.

All newspapers agree that the Anglo-Soviet negotiations will be brought to a conclusion in the near future.

The possibility of unification in Western Europe must under no conditions be abandoned, says the press.

Asking whether the present difficulties are not of a superficial nature and based principally on a misunderstanding, "Figaro" emphasises the necessity of emerging from the present impasse.

Diplomatic discussions by loud speaker are very damaging, declares the journal.

Sole note of criticism is contained in "Humanite," its paper declares: "Mr. Chamberlain's speech was pitiful and weak. A man who is determined to come to terms with his partner, uses other terms." — Trans-Ocean.

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Anglo-Soviet Negotiations Entering On A New Phase



WOMEN'S LEGION MOTOR DRIVERS RALLY.—The Women's Legion on May 7 held a Motor Driver Rally in London. This unit of the Women's Legion forms part of the National Service and will take over all kinds of Convoy transport and establishing contact by dispatch riders in the event of an emergency. Photo shows one of the dispatch riders arriving with a message for the Company Commander.

German Navy Race Challenge

Brunswick, Yesterday.
A SPEECH which may indicate that Germany, as in the pre-war years, is to challenge Great Britain to a naval building race, was delivered here yesterday by the Commander-in-Chief of the German Navy, Admiral Raeder.

Admiral Raeder was speaking to Hitler Youth leaders on the importance of naval strength.

Every battleship, he declared, was of the utmost importance, since it could be taken as an axiom of military science that a war could be won only on the seas.

Observance of this principle might one day prove of decisive importance in Germany's "struggle for existence." — Trans-Ocean.

Berlin, Yesterday.
The Polish Ambassador, M. Lipski, has returned to his post in

FRIGHTENED OF ITS TEETH

"We have been looking at a gift horse in the mouth for weeks, and we have been frightened of its teeth." — Mr. Lloyd George, in the House of Commons debate on the Anglo-Soviet negotiations.

POPE'S BID FOR A CONFERENCE

Rome, Yesterday.

It is now more or less authoritatively admitted that His Holiness the Pope tried to arrange a five-Power Conference between Britain, France, Italy, Germany and Poland.

The Vatican approach was made on May 17 and it failed largely because both in Paris and Berlin the view was taken that the moment was inopportune. — Reuter Bulletin.

Berlin after an absence of several weeks. — Trans-Ocean.

BRITAIN READY TO MEET SOVIET HALF-WAY

London, Yesterday.

The centre of gravity in further British negotiations with Russia will not, as originally planned, be in Geneva but in London, through the Soviet Ambassador, M. Ivan Maisky.

First step in this new direction will be the discussions in Paris to-day between the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, and the French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet.

When once an agreement has been reached between London and Paris, the British Ambassador in Warsaw, Sir Howard Kennard, and the British Minister in Bucharest, Sir Reginald Hoare, will approach the Polish and Rumanian Governments to ascertain their final attitude towards an Anglo-Soviet alliance.

The reports from the British Ambassadors in Warsaw and Bucharest will be considered at the ordinary weekly meeting of the Cabinet on Wednesday, when the Cabinet will come to its final decision.

LONG TALK

M. Maisky left for Paris last night en route to Geneva, and before his departure had a long conversation with Sir Robert Vansittart, Diplomatic Advisor to the Government, at the latter's request.

Sir Robert informed M. Maisky of the results at which the Cabinet's foreign affairs committee had arrived.

In London, optimism is most noticeable, and the feeling is widely prevalent that London and Moscow will arrive at an agreement within the coming week.

MORE THAN HALF WAY

The Cabinet, it is stated, has decided to meet the Soviet demands more than half way, and would not only grant final reciprocity but would also, in accordance with the French proposal, agree to certain supplementary military conditions.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain's statement in the House of Commons yesterday that the Government hopes to be able very shortly to make a declaration regarding the negotiations with Moscow, is taken to mean that the British Government has in principle decided to come to terms with Moscow.

RUMANIA'S VIEW

This view is also supported by a report from Bucharest that Rumania will no longer object to a Soviet guarantee, while the Polish attitude, though not quite so yielding, is nevertheless not as stiff as it had been.

The Polish Government, however, according to a Warsaw despatch, does not intend to take any steps on its own initiative until Britain has definitely announced her readiness to enter upon an alliance with Moscow.

Although the question of whether Poland and Rumania are to be partners on equal terms in an Anglo-Franco-Soviet alliance is not yet definitely settled, the only point still at dispute appears to be the question of a guarantee for the three Baltic States — Estonia, Latvia and Finland.

Whether this will be settled during the Geneva talks is not yet clear.

BRITAIN'S NEW APPROACH

It is assumed that the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, will in Geneva submit the new British proposals, which must, however, first be discussed with the French Premier, M. Daladier, and Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet.

It is thought in London that the new British proposals will coincide with those embodied in the French mediating proposal. — Trans-Ocean.

KEY-POINTS IN COMMONS DEBATE

London, Yesterday.

SEVERAL Government supporters abstained from voting in support of Mr. Chamberlain's policy, following the debate on the Anglo-Soviet negotiations.

The Government's majority was 124.

Leading points from the speeches follow:

Mr. Chamberlain: If it was argued that the British suggestion did not provide for the case of a direct attack on Russia, neither did not provide for the case of a direct attack on the United Kingdom. It did not apply equally to certain Western States which, if an attack was made upon them, might ultimately cause Britain to be involved in war. If there was inequality, it was in favour of the Soviet Union and not of Britain. Somehow there had been misunderstanding and, in any case, the proposal was not acceptable to the Soviet Government and so the British Government were trying again.

Mr. Churchill: I remain unconvinced by the Government's explanations of the delay. . . . a triple alliance is the most satisfactory, straightforward and practical manner of reaching the results we are seeking.

Mr. Attlee: The Government's methods have been dilatory and fumbling.

Mr. Eden: The Government's aim must be not to win a war but to avert a war. To that end we should have a secure and early and far-reaching agreement with Russia, the more complete and far-reaching the better. The stronger was the deterrent to aggression they created, the likelier that it would ever have to be brought into action.

Sir Archibald Sinclair: There are dangerous weaknesses and inconsistencies in the policy of the Government.

Mr. Ralke: (Tory back-bencher): An alliance with Russia would alienate Poland and Rumania and drive Bulgaria and Spain into the Axis.

FRANCO'S POLICY

Madrid, Yesterday.

In a speech on foreign affairs, following the victory parade, General Franco declared that the victory was obtained over barbarism and Marxism.

Spain was anxious to make her contribution to European peace and the keynote of her policy would be Spain's dignity and independence above everything. — Reuter Bulletin.

SIR ROGER KEYES WANTS A NEW MINISTRY

London, Yesterday.

In a speech at Liverpool, Sir Roger Keyes urged yet another Ministry on the Premier.

He suggested the creation of a Ministry of Marine, with its chief a "young man full of energy." — Our Own Correspondent.

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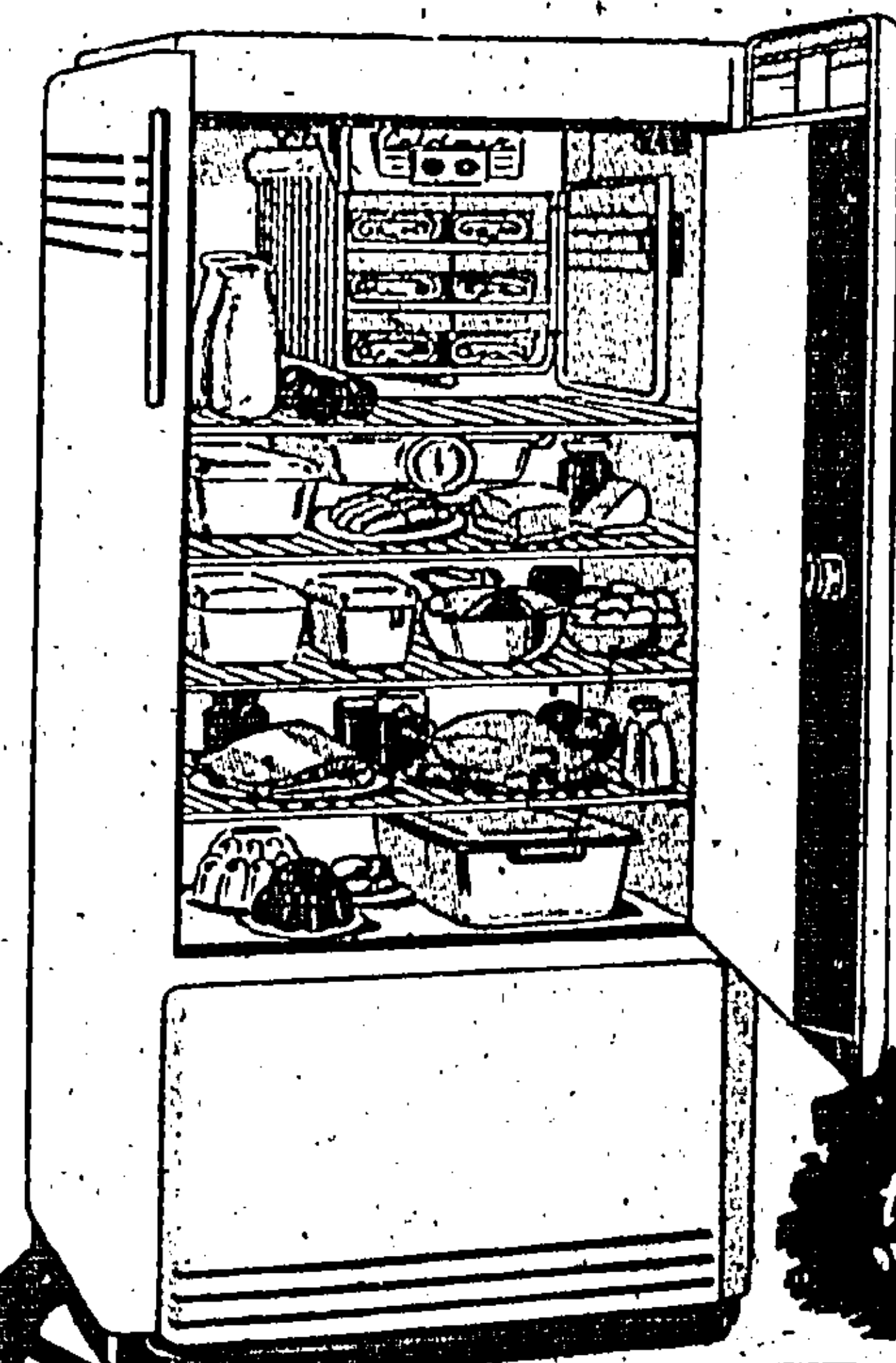
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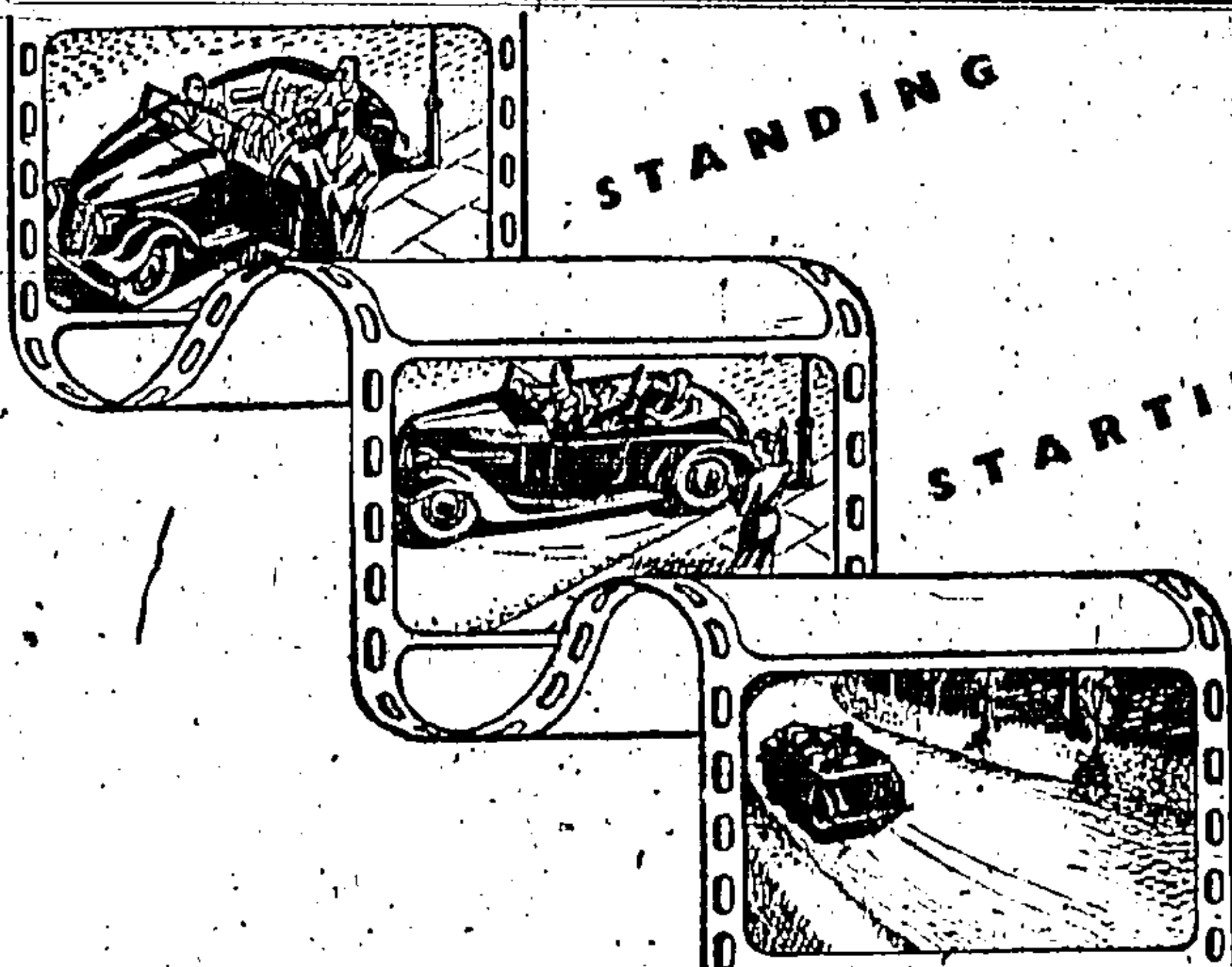
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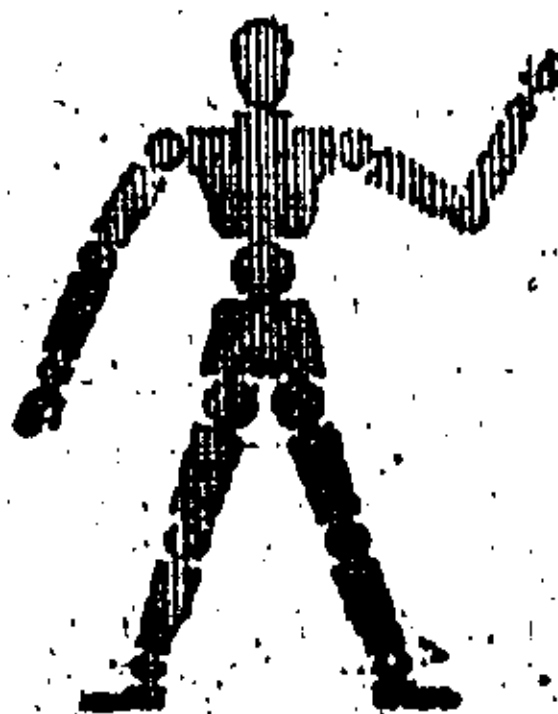
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PRIVATE FACES IN PUBLIC PLACES

Mr. du Sautoy —
Engineer at Large

BRUCE Lockhart, in his "Return to Malaya," describes a visit to the Singapore naval base, then in the process of construction. His mind boggled at the vastness of the project and he could not conceive how it could be controlled by a single man. He ceased to be surprised when he saw the twenty-stone figure of the man in charge of it.

It was Mr. F. du Sautoy, who has been visiting Hong Kong this week. The naval base was the crowning achievement of a long engineering career. Costing millions of pounds, it took seven years to complete. This included two years of preparatory work, during which hundreds of square miles of swamp had to be drained, a jetty built for large steamers to come with the thousands of tons of cement and coal and machinery. Water had to be brought, and accommodation built for the labour and for the staff of 120 Europeans. Stores had to be assembled from England, South Africa, Australia.

Mr. du Sautoy told me of the curse that had been laid on the job, and which was, incidentally, responsible for his being there. There was an ancient tree, held in superstitious reverence by the natives, which had to be removed in the first month or two. The agent in charge was advised to pay a small sum—about £20—to have it cut down in accordance with the usual local rites. When he refused to consider so foolish a procedure, it was foretold that an epidemic would strike the camp, carry away hundreds of the workers, and that three important people would die.

BOTH the agent and sub-agent died shortly afterwards and Mr. du Sautoy was sent out in temporary control, pending the arrival of one of the directors of his firm—Sir John Jackson, Ltd. Even those who gave little credence to the potency of the curse awaited the third death. It was the director, who died when he was

on the point of starting out for Singapore. Then the second part of the curse came true. Malaria struck the camp and swept away three thousand workers. "After all," I argued, "one cannot believe in these curses. It was just an unpleasant coincidence." Mr. du Sautoy smiled and replied, "You'll have to decide that for yourself." He remained in control of the job until its completion.

HE describes himself as the second man to bring water to Jerusalem. The first was Pontius Pilate. He had dug a system of wells which had served the inhabitants for 2000 years. After the Great War and with the promise of greater prosperity under the British mandate, there was a large influx of population, and the water shortage became acute. Two complementary plans were drawn up to bring water to Jerusalem, one through the valley of Ein Farah, the other from Lydd. Mr. du Sautoy's firm was awarded the Ein Farah contract and he was sent out to do the job. When it was finished, the Mayor was delighted with the abundance of water and was ready to abandon the second part of the scheme. He was warned that if he did so, he might have to face another shortage in three or four years time. Then several members of the League of Nations objected that, as Palestine was under League Mandate, the second contract should be put out to international tender. As a result, he lost the opportunity of rounding off his work.

IN the course of his two years in Palestine, he met many of the leading Zionists. The man who impressed him most was Rittenberg, whose remarkable electrification schemes converted Palestine from a barren land to a rich and fruitful one. Another of Rittenberg's schemes that he praised was that by which an inexhaustible supply of chemicals was being drawn from the Dead Sea. Mr. du Sautoy has bathed there, and he described how he used to go down from snow-capped hills to swim in the warmth of the Dead Sea, 1400 feet below sea-level. Descending below sea-level, the pressure of the atmosphere increased, and he always felt a sudden "click" in his ears, making him deaf for about five minutes.

HIS jobs at Singapore and Palestine are but two of an engineering career of thirty odd years. Son of a civil engineer who built one of the docks at Cardiff, he began as a youth at Cardiff Docks, but most of his life has been spent abroad. One of his early jobs was at Brindisi, where he helped to build a modern harbour before the war. He contrasts the Italy of that time with Italy under Mussolini. The least that can be said of Mussolini, he said, is that he has taught his countrymen to work. Before the war, the country was overrun with government servants. Most jobs were duplicated, the attendance of the higher officials was perfunctory, and many of them seemed to have no specific jobs at all. No one worried very much, and the only matter that was taken seriously was the afternoon siesta, which was too well established for an outsider to shake.

WHILST at Brindisi, he took every opportunity to visit Albania, just across the Adriatic, which he got to know very thoroughly. Recently freed from the Turks, it was in a turbulent state, with family and tribal feuds the order of the day. Police control was hardly more than nominal. The newly acquired king, conferred on them by Germany, did little to quieten or unite the tiny state, and he did not last very long. It was almost entirely without roads, and Mr. du Sautoy covered the countryside on horseback or by means of mules, travelling everywhere with a molestation. He was attracted to the Alban-

ian people with their sturdy physique, their independence, the picturesqueness of their dress and customs. They were quite exceptionally hospitable.

Not only did they offer him food and shelter, but generally someone would ride with him to his next destination, both to introduce him and to ensure his safety.

MONUMENTS to Mr. du Sautoy's career include a quarry in the hills overlooking the Gulf of Suez, an irrigation scheme, 600 square miles in extent in the Sudan, a barrage near Luxor, a housing estate in London and a number of arterial roads. But his proudest feat is that, in the last few months, he has reduced his weight by four stones, and his waist measurement by four-and-a-half inches.

Verna Piesse—Beauty Specialist at Large

VERNA Piesse was born in Tasmania in an atmosphere of adventure. Among her father's friends were geographers and surveyors who had penetrated into the remotest parts of Australia, China and the Malayan peninsula. Hard-bitten sailors. Men who had fought in South America in wars and revolutions. Constantly meeting people who "went places," it was natural that Verna should grow up with a desire both to see something of the world for herself and to become self-reliant and independent. And she realised that the best way to see the world was not to travel on a tourist's ticket, but to settle down in different countries and work among the people.

HER choice of a profession was influenced by her early training in dancing, which had given her a supple body and an appreciation of the factors that make for beauty. Finally, she decided on a triple profession, massage, beauty culture and the teaching of physical culture. She has become an authority on physical culture and has taught it in a number of countries. During her visit to Hong Kong, she is devoting a good deal of her holiday to



MISS PIESSE.

the encouragement of our local organisations by means of lectures, demonstrations and practical advice.

WHEREVER she has been she has found a growing appreciation among women of the value of physical culture. This is particularly true of the English-speaking and Northern European countries. It is no longer regarded as the fad of a few "manly" women. It is recognised as an essential method for the maintenance of sound health, vigour and youthfulness. And it is the way to the attainment of natural good looks with which cosmetics cannot hope to compete. Not that Verna has any objection to cosmetics. She uses them herself. But she says they should be used to enhance the beauty that comes from good health and not to act as a substitute for it.

AN interesting and amusing by-product of her profession has been the jobs she has

had as a mannequin. When a large firm of manufacturers of corseterie, belts and things of that kind launched a selling campaign in Melbourne, they asked

Verna and a few of the best of her pupils to help display their goods at the big stores. Wearing these models on a specially erected stage, they gave an exhibition of physical culture, ballet and folk-dancing to show that they could be worn without restricting any of the natural movements of the body. She got a lot of fun from this, especially from talking to women, some of whom imagined that by the mere purchase of these goods they would be able to get figures as lovely and supple as those of the girls who displayed them, without any equivalent effort of their own.

ALTHOUGH she laughs at these women, she is really annoyed about those who willingly pay large sums in the pursuit of beauty, but are not willing to assist the beauty specialist by accepting the instructions



Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Hopper, after their wedding this week at St. Andrew's Church. Mrs. Hopper was formerly Miss Margaret Hobson Bell, of Kowloon Dock.

she gives them and by carrying them out. When Verna was running a beauty shop in London, a woman came in to see her. She was covered in rolls of fat. Producing the photograph of a lovely young film-star, she said she wanted to have a figure just like that. This was rather a tall order, but Verna said that if the client were willing to have massage treatment three times a week, would do regularly the exercises she prescribed, and would keep to a strict diet, a reasonably healthy figure could probably be discovered under-



Photo taken at Social Settlements on Wednesday when members of the Peace Pledge Union, who have taken over the running of the settlement, paid a special visit. Mrs. Short, the prime mover, is seen carrying one of the youthful inmates.

neath all the fat. After three months there was no appreciable progress, and it was only after close questioning that the client admitted that she had been too lazy to do the exercises and was too self-indulgent to keep to the diet. But at any rate, she said, it was worth the money. She had convinced her husband there was nothing more to be done about her figure.

OTHER clients who came into her shop were equally optimistic. At that time the hair-dressing trade ran weekly competitions for the best-dressed hair. The winners were much photographed, and women would come in with their pictures and ask for their few wispy grey hairs to be made to look just like that.

ANOTHER of Miss Piesse's activities has been broadcasting, mostly in Australia. On her return to Australia from one of her jaunts abroad, she was asked to speak on Scotland, where she had spent some time. She gave a series of six lectures on various aspects of life in Scotland, and she says she had not until then realised how many people there were in Australia who had Scottish affiliations. Lots of listeners wrote in to say that they came from places she mentioned in her talk; a talk on the county of Ayr brought her a large bunch of flowers and a pathetic letter from an old lady who had been in Australia for more than thirty years but who still wished herself back in Scotland.

ASKED who was the most interesting person she had ever met, she said Arthur Rubinstein, the great composer and pianist. She was almost afraid to meet him because she felt her knowledge of music was inadequate. They had dinner together. He had charming manners, knew how to choose a dinner, and spoke brilliantly on a dozen subjects. But said nothing whatever about music!

Personalia

Miss Mary Collis Hallows, known to all her friends as "Bunty," is shortly leaving for Ireland, travelling home across Canada. Miss Hallows is the daughter of Mr. B. H. Hallows, Hon. Secretary of St. Patrick's Society.

The wedding is shortly to take place of Capt. Charles Ralph Boxer, Lincolnshire Regt. and Miss Ursula Tullloh.

Mrs. Harriman, wife of Mr. G. A. Harriman, the local broker, and her three sons have returned to Hong Kong.

Mr. J. F. Macgregor, and Mrs. Macgregor returned to Hong Kong from Shanghai in the s.s. Empress of Asia.

Mr. F. C. Clemo, Chief Executive Engineer, China Light and Power Co., Ltd., has left the Colony on a business trip to Shanghai.

Mrs. Cliff wife of Dr. H. Lechmere Cliff, has been a patient in the Queen Mary Hospital since Monday, following an operation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fraser of Hankow, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Daphne, to George Garrard, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co.

Dr. E. W. Stout has been appointed Lieutenant in the H.K.V.D.C.

Major C. M. Manners, Captain A. M. Thornhill, and Lieut. R. P. Phillips have resigned their commissions in the H.K.V.D.C. with permission to retain their present rank.

LITTLE NOTES of Great Importance

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The windbreaker silhouette is fashion's latest craze, and the more formalised versions go in for some revolutionary mixing of colours. You see this at MISS WILLY'S in a startling edition which combines a smooth smoke blue skirt with dazzling striped blouse. The latter uses georgette, printed in bold stripes alternating purple, red, yellow green and white. Effective for action but soft in line and appearance. A pretty, blue-green is its colour, picked up in fabric, and by way of contrast a henna zip is used at neck and to trim the belt. For youthful appeal, try a natural coloured linen with wide skirt and applique border design of a Russian peasant woman and a flock of ducks. Or if it's variety of scenery you're looking for, choose a two-piece shirakin suit, with blouse top that is a perfect backdrop for novel changes. A matching top one day and a contrasting one the next. "Room 334, Wang Hong, Metropole Hotel Building.

For small fry who want to look smart on the beach, nothing could be better than the swim suits and sun-suits offered in the Ladies' Salon of LANE CRAWFORDS. You'll notice that the full-sized elastic-shirred suits have now been introduced in the nursery on a smaller scale and all little girls will go round-eyed with envy at the pretty cotton prints used to trim the belt. For youthful appeal, try a natural coloured linen with wide skirt and applique border design of a Russian peasant woman and a flock of ducks. Or if it's variety of scenery you're looking for, choose a two-piece shirakin suit, with blouse top that is a perfect backdrop for novel changes. A matching top one day and a contrasting one the next. "Room 334, Wang Hong, Metropole Hotel Building.

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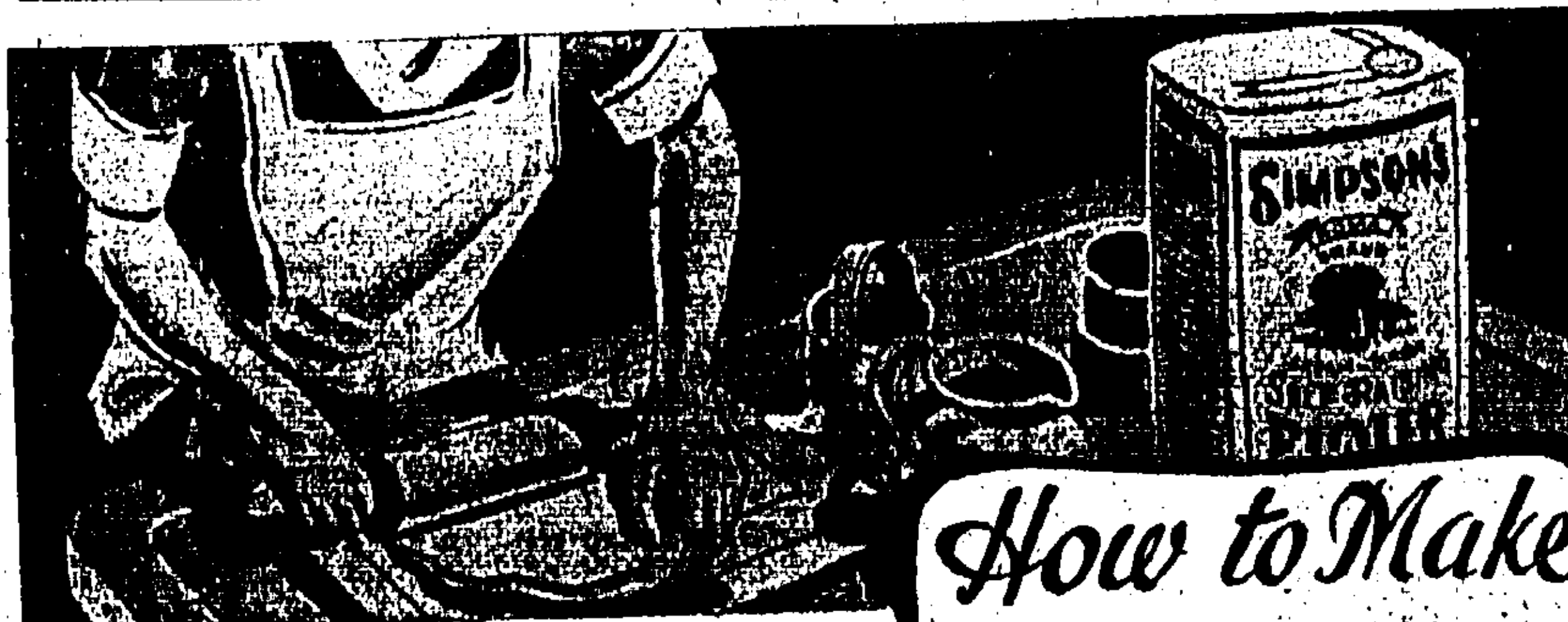
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If Hitler Helps The Free Peoples Of The Earth To Learn The Lessons Of The Present Crisis, He Will Deserve Well Of The Democracy He Spurns

"What a Per-r-rverse Conception"

SOMETIMES an old story is new. My old story began—or at any rate its beginnings became visible—in March and April, 1933. Herr Hitler recited part of the sequel to it in Berlin on April 28, 1939, by denouncing both the German-Polish non-aggression pact of January 1934 and the Anglo-German Naval Treaty of 1935.

In March 1933 the British Prime Minister, Ramsay Mac-

Donald, and the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, went to Geneva where the Disarmament Conference was sitting. Ramsay MacDonald laid before the Conference a British scheme for the military rationing of European nations, and prefaced it by proposals for "security" so fantastically inadequate that they had forthwith to be dropped. Thus the British disarmament scheme was still-born. Nobody knew whether it had been seriously meant. Many thought it "cover" for some more secret plan.

Secret

Plan Hatched

The secret plan had, indeed, already been hatched in Rome and Berlin with or without the knowledge of the British Government. From Geneva Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Sir John Simon suddenly flew to Rome where, on landing, they were given by Mussolini the draft of a Four-Power Pact for "treaty revision". Its immediate purpose was to "short-circuit" the League of Nations by linking Great Britain and France with Germany and Italy in an attempt to "revise" the frontiers of Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Yugoslavia.

Poland was to be put first on the operating table. For years—and long before Hitler had come into power on January 30, 1933—German propaganda, and its dupes everywhere, had declaimed against the "intolerable Polish Corridor" which cut East Prussia off from the body of Germany. This "Corridor" was denounced as so crying an injustice, so unwarrantable an affront to German rights and German national feeling, that unless it were to be peacefully "revised" out of existence, the Germany of the Weimar Republic would be entitled, if not in duty bound, to clear the Poles out of it by force.

Campaign Against Poland

The intensity of this campaign against Poland equalled that of the later campaign in 1937 and 1938 against the "intolerable grievances" of the Sudeten Germans in Czechoslovakia. In vain did Poland prove that the so-called "Corridor" was the ancient Polish maritime province of Pomorze, and that its restoration to her, with the right to use the free port of Danzig, was but the fulfilment of one of President Wilson's "Fourteen Points" which Germany had invoked in September 1918 as a condition of the Armistice. The "conscience of the peace-loving world" was persuaded that there could be "no peace without justice", and that for the sake of justice so horrible a monstrosity as the Polish "Corridor" must disappear.

At Rome in March 1933 the British Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary were certainly given to understand that the first object of the proposed Four-Power Pact would be to "revise" the Corridor. Ramsay MacDonald, to do him justice, felt some misgiving. I heard his embarrassed speech to the House of Commons when he came back, and his confession that we should need to examine carefully the terms of a proposal which had "for its general purpose peace, and for its big and almost only detail the revision of treaties". Still he insisted that the Pact would be an auspicious contribution to the peace of the world.

Mussolini Blundered

Meanwhile Mussolini blundered. Fearing lest the prospective candidates for the operating table should guess what was afoot he assured each of their representatives in Rome, singly and secretly, that the projected treaty revision was not aimed at his particular country but only at the others. He seems not to have foreseen that the representatives of Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Yugoslavia, thus severally reassured, would compare notes and would jointly draw conclusions incompatible with belief in his uprightness.

BY MR. H. WICKHAM STEED

So Poland, for her part, withdrew her representative from Rome and declined to appoint another. The Foreign Secretaries of the Little Entente—Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Yugoslavia—took counsel together and despatched M. Titulescu of Rumania to London as their special Ambassador, while Dr. Benes went in the same capacity to Paris. In London, Titulescu saw Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, Sir John Simon and Mr. Neville Chamberlain. To them he said: "Kindly write in your notebook that on April 6, 1933, Titulescu, as special Ambassador of the Little Entente, warned you that treaty revision means war." To Ramsay MacDonald he added: "You, my dear Prime Minister, are such an idealist that you are becoming a war-maker." To which Mr. MacDonald replied: "What a per-r-rverse conception!"

Benes' Warning

In Paris Dr. Benes spoke less dramatically to M. Paul-Boncour, the French Foreign Secretary. To him he said, in the name of the Little Entente, and also with reference to Poland, that France was entitled to sign any Four-Power Pact, for treaty revision or otherwise, that she might wish to sign; but that with the same stroke of the pen as she would sign such a Pact she would cancel her signatures to her alliances with the countries of the Little Entente and with Poland. M. Paul-Boncour reflected painfully for 24 hours. Then he asked what Benes really wanted. Benes answered that he wanted a letter from the French Government giving a binding assurance that no clause or feature of any Four-Power Pact would be incompatible with the existing alliances of France; and that he wanted this letter to be communicated to Great Britain, Germany and Italy before any Four-Power Pact should be concluded.

Paul-Boncour Submits

M. Paul-Boncour submitted. He wrote the letter to the three Governments of the Little Entente and to Poland. Thus the Four-Power Pact lost its point. After its conclusion its text was published together with the Paul-Boncour letter, in a little Blue Book issued (and promptly withdrawn from circulation) by the French Foreign Office. I possess a copy of it.

In the following months Hitler renewed the furious German campaign against the Polish "Corridor". Marshal Pilsudski then took the bull by the horns. He said:

whether Hitler wanted war or not, in five years or in ten, adding that Hitler could have it whenever he liked. Hitler understood this language, said he did not want war, and was ready to conclude a non-aggression pact with Poland for ten years. This pact was signed in January 1934—and the world was allowed to forget the Polish "Corridor."

But alongside of her pact with Germany Poland agreed to some sinister secret conditions. One was that she should be neutral if Germany annexed Austria. Another was that she should not join the Little Entente. A third was that she should on no account come to any agreement with Czechoslovakia.

Gave Hitler

What He Wanted

These secret conditions gave Hitler what he wanted. By propaganda and diplomacy he could isolate Austria. Chancellor Dollfus could be murdered with impunity in July 1934. Hitler then bluffed Great Britain into signing an Anglo-German Naval Treaty designed to ally British suspicions, while he built a strong navy, and to make Germany mistress of the Baltic. M. Laval, the French Prime Minister, having sold Abyssinia and the League of Nations to Mussolini for a worthless military pact, winked at Italian aggression upon Abyssinia. The Hoare-Laval proposals of December 1935 did the rest. Anglo-French relations became so strained that in April 1936 Hitler was able to walk into the Rhineland unmolested.

To-day, after the frontiers between Germany and Austria and Germany and Czechoslovakia have been "revised" out of existence, some people are beginning to understand what Titulescu meant by his warning six years ago. In the hope of "stopping the rot" Great Britain has been moved to give a pledge to Poland—and to leave Poland to decide whether and when it shall be operative. By other pledges to Rumania, Greece and Turkey, British diplomacy is trying to build up an international front against aggression; and the President of the United States has put Hitler and Mussolini in a cleft stick by making it hard for them to "revise" more frontiers without stamping themselves as the aggressors.

Crux Is Not Danzig

War may or may not come. Hitler may choose Danzig and the Polish "Corridor" as his pretext—fortified by the foolish utterances of British public men in the past. But the crux of the position is not Danzig, or the "Corridor," or any territorial possession in and by itself. Nor can concerted resistance to aggression be more than the negative side of the true issue. The positive side of any cause in whose support the free nations of Europe should spring to arms can be nothing less than the prevention of war—in a world redeemed from the abominable anachronism of armed conflict by the steadfast and united resolve of civilised humanity.

This, to my mind, is the abiding lesson of the present world crisis. If Hitler helps the free peoples of the earth to learn it he will, in spite of himself, have deserved well of the democracy he spurns and of the liberties he would trample under foot.

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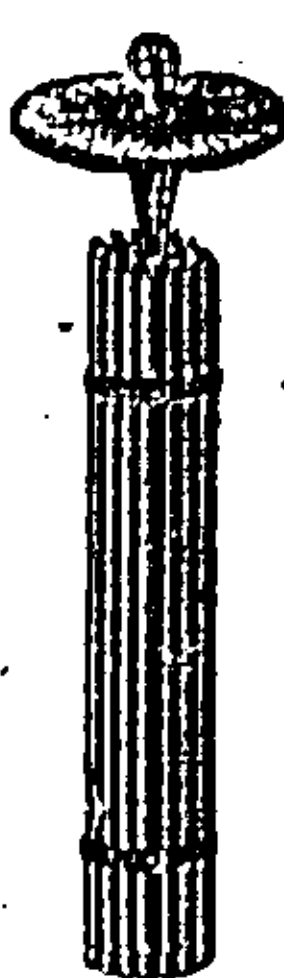
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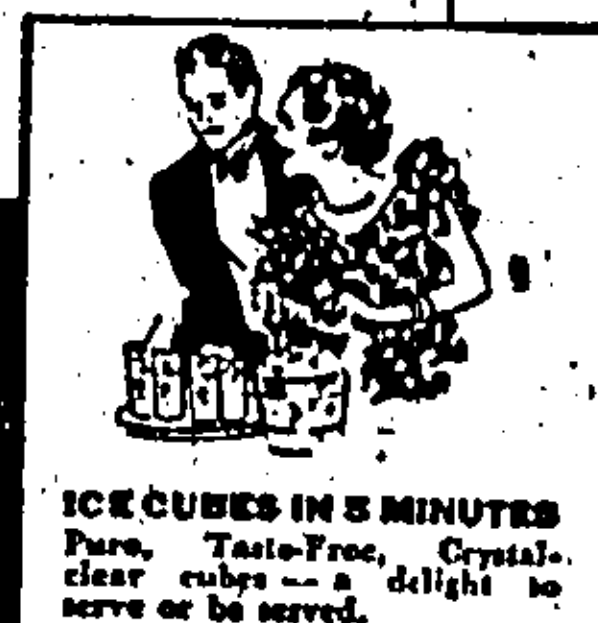
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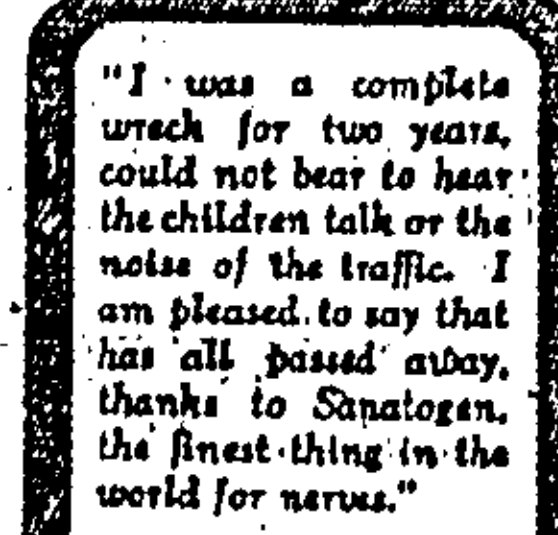
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Ottawa, Yesterday.

THERE are roughly 12,000,000 Canadians—and every one of them, save perhaps those few who live in the Arctic snows, kept time with the rhythm of the train which brought the King and Queen to Ottawa.

The population of Ottawa has more than doubled in the last few days and in spite of the chilly rain which persisted from the moment of Their Majesties' arrival, the streets were massed with people in a manner never previously witnessed in Canadian history.

Canada has never entertained a reigning monarch and his queen before, and every Canadian feels he or she personally is host.

In a way they are not deluding themselves. There is hardly a man with a Sunday suit, or a woman with a tea gown, who has not served on some committee or other connected with the royal visit.

Those who are not in that category have done their bit. Through the post there have been more than 5,000,000 suggestions—from farm-houses and apartments, from shacks and tenements—on how to give the visitors a really good time.

In Canada almost every one has his own idea what should be done. Remnants of the section of the famous Iroquois tribe, who live peacefully in normal times in Caughnawaga, a reservation about twenty miles from Montreal, have just revolted because they were not allowed to put on the show they wanted.

BACK TO THE TRIBE
They reverted to the tribal system early to-day in a full dress pow-wow, held in the assembly hall that used to be part of the fort often defended by the pale-faces against their ancestors.

They threw out their mayor and other legal representatives and appointed Peter Dellese their Big Chief. They were dissatisfied that they were allotted only 100 places in the Montreal parade of welcome and they set about gaining their wishes.

The mounted police followed them wherever they went to prevent them doing their war dances in front of the royal coach. Almost every one, too, has his own idea about dress for the occasion.

In Eastern Canada everything is ultra formal. But in the West those who pay court to their King will wear what they have.

TOP HATS BARRED
Surveys have shown that in most of the smaller cities the aver-

age ownership of top hats is only three. In some towns there are none at all, so orders have gone out to the dismay of the politicians who had secured them that top hats and morning coats will not be worn.

Instead, those who come to welcome the royal train will wear their Sunday best.

So anxious were the unemployed of Alberta to look their best for their visitors that they asked the Government to give them each £3 extra to buy a new suit.

The chief worry of many committees who are still locked in conference night and day concerns presents.

Every one, it seems, wants to send a little something to the royal train, from radios to limousines and baskets to typewriters, but it is being constantly emphasised that no gifts are wanted.

In fact, the townships have been asked to confine their floral homage to one simple bouquet.

The royal visit is costing Canada millions. No one has figured out the exact cost, yet apart from the actual cost of entertaining there is the cost of decorating some fifty-two cities and towns.

Montreal alone spent nearly £30,000 in transforming its half-tone greyness into red and yellow (no one knows why Spanish colours were chosen as the theme of the decorative scheme).

RUMANIAN CONTROL OF LOWER DANUBE

London, Yesterday.
With the disappearance of the League Danube Control Committee, Rumania has now regained unrestricted right to administer the Lower Danube in accordance with her sovereign interests. This administrative change-over puts an end to the anomalous position created through Germany's one-sided repudiation of the regime of international control which left Rumania practically the only Danubian State still loyal to the League regime.

It is expected that the recovery of full control will allow Rumania to put her relations with the other Danubian countries on a more secure basis.—Our Own Correspondent.



A picture taken by Edward Dransfield Young, a by-eye Correspondent in Edinburgh in connection with the Royal Visit to Canada. The King is shown in the uniform of Colonel-in-Chief of the Cameron Highlanders.



A charming picture of the King and Queen taking a last look at England from the "Empress of Australia" as they sailed for Canada.

A.R.P. IN GIBRALTAR

London, Yesterday.
General Sir Edmund Ironside, has ordered air-raid shelters, some of which will be excavated from solid rock, to be constructed in connection with the air-raid precautions scheme, which is nearing completion.

All the defence works of Gibraltar are being brought up to date, with a largely increased garrison.—Our Own Correspondent.

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LONDON, YESTERDAY.
RAILWAY PLANS TO MEET A NATIONAL EMERGENCY INCLUDE "SHADOW HEADQUARTERS" WELL AWAY FROM LONDON.

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How many are there who haven't at one time or another struggled with the thought that they'd made a mistake in their marriage?

What do people do with the thought when they get it? Either decide that they have, and get out of it as quickly as they can—through separation, or divorce, or deception—or grit the teeth, and make the best, generally a somewhat "nervy" best, of it—for the sake of the children.

Or they smother the fact, and endeavour to live without facing it, which is also apt to take devastating toll in temper and nerves.

When have I thought that? At times when my husband wouldn't fit into the picture I'd made of what I wanted him to be. In fact, when I wanted to be a dictator in the home.

When two people both want to be dictators in the same

home the sparks are bound to fly!

PLUCKED UP MY COURAGE

When, at last, I faced this "mistake-bogey," I saw that I was the kind of person who would almost inevitably think that, at some time, of any one I married! . . . A mistake . . . just because I was not getting my own way.

That's what it amounted to, and how childish it sounded when put that way. When I plucked up my courage to talk it

By JANE THOMAS

out with him, the bogey vanished.

It's very exhausting, this competitive business, this pitting of my will and my wishes against the other person's—nearly always about such stupid things too.

A couple I know told me of their first quarrel, soon after they were married. It was about which grade milk they should take! She said Grade A, he said Grade B, and they argued heatedly about it. Neither would budge an inch.

Then they decided they had better sit down and think out why they felt so strongly on the subject. They pondered the matter, and the fact finally emerged that her family had always taken Grade A, and his family had always taken Grade B.

So the issue was not the quality of the milk, but which family tradition should dominate.

Then, bursting into tears of self pity and temper, she rushed from the room.

A surprising number of people seem to find this scene a familiar one, though the object varies—rabbits, steaks, omelettes, saucepans, have all been mentioned to me.

Which was it with you? Or did you merely hurl abuse?

You can deal with the problems when they are out in the open. But so often, out of small hidden resentments, suspicions and misunderstandings, grow the major troubles that can lead to divorce.

I know of a typical instance of this—an attractive and light-hearted couple who fell into marriage somewhat casually. The trouble began with a couple of small concealments, then Jim got slack at the office.

Clare said, he was a spend-thrift, he told her she was stingy, got up too late, couldn't cook or run the house like his mother could. Jim's business began to decline. The more worried he was, the wilder the parties became. Mistrust between them grew. They began to get on each other's nerves.

The day of divorce came. Jim arrived at the lawyer's, but the lawyer got a surprise. "We have decided," said Jim, "not to go through with it, after all, but instead to let God"—here he stammered a little as the word was so new—"to let God run our home."

THE CAUSES OF FRICTION

They had made a clean breast to each other of the whole past, beyond their dreams.



"The husband resents that she leaves him the worry and the care."

Stupid things on the surface, but covering fundamental issues, and that's why we resist almost to the death.

For just the same reason we found ourselves recently opposing each other's ideas about the colour of the curtains. We acknowledged the motives, laughed about it together, and were left free again to make a decision, without sting in it.

CRISIS OVER A CHICKEN

Bottled-up resentment is apt to explode sometimes in unexpected ways. With one young couple I know, it was a chicken that brought on the crisis! Mary, the wife, had roasted it to perfection, and hot but proud, she called her husband in to dinner.

Before her possessive eyes he mauled the bird in his efforts to dissect it. After all the time and care she'd spent! Couldn't he even trouble to carve it properly?

Exasperated, she picked it up and hurled it at his head.

and buried it together. Now, four years later, that experiment has proved a success beyond their dreams.

What are the chief causes of this friction between husband and wife? Isn't it the insistence on equal rights, with at the same time a refusal of equal responsibility—a too easy acceptance of all that the other gives, and a withholding of the much more, that we could give of ourselves, if we would!

The wife who gave up her career when she married and had a family feels bitter not because of what she has given up, but because of her husband's calm and unthinking acceptance of the sacrifice she feels she made.

The husband, confronted with piles of bills, is resentful that what he works so hard to earn she so lightly spends, leaving him the worry and the care.

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dure on fellow man,
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native rights."
Moses indignation."

SO wrote the gentle poet.
Cowper 150 years ago.
He put it rather mildly. Brit-
ish blood has always boiled
at the misdeeds of foreigners.
Milton's organ voice booms
out when he calls on the Al-
mighty to avenge His slaugh-
tered saints, the Waldensians.
"We are glad," says Dryden,
"to have God on our side to
maul our enemies when we
cannot do the work ourselves."

Gladstone's fervid and ver-
bose eloquence was always on
tap when atrocities were
brought to his notice. First
it was the Neapolitan prisons;
then it was the Bashi-bazouks
in Bulgaria; then the unspeak-
able Turk was at his tricks
again in Armenia. Friend or
foe, it makes no difference.
Wrongdoing must be dealt
with faithfully.

Morel and Roger Casement
found that the Belgians on
the Congo were mistreating
the natives. Cruelties of the
same kind were brought home
to the rubber-collectors in
Brazil. Then came the un-
paralleled horrors of Bolshe-
vism, which somehow or other
roused less indignation than
much milder outbreaks of
cruelty. But the attack on
Abyssinia by the Italians rous-
ed us to fury.

We had hoped that the
ghastly experience of the
Great War would have con-
vinced all civilised nations
that nothing of the kind must
happen again; and the League
of Nations was founded to
give effect to this resolution.
It was, therefore, with no
common indignation that we
witnessed an unprovoked as-
sault upon one of the weak-
est members of the League.

Since then we have had to
look on while Germany car-
ried out several successful
coups, perhaps justifiable in
themselves, but
executed in a
very high-
handed
fashion.

I am not
ashamed of
this British
characteristic. If it is a
foible, it is one which I
share myself. I am as hot as
anyone about some of these
iniquities.

For instance my wife and
I have been trying to help
some of the Austrian Jews.
The stories of the wrongs in-
flicted upon them are revolt-
ing. It is hard to understand
how the people of Austria can
stand by and witness such
disgraceful treatment of
peaceful neighbours, with
some of whom they must have
been on friendly terms.

But we must beware of
herd-contagion, especially
when indignation is worked
up for political reasons. The
violent protest against the
Hoare-Laval proposals with
regard to Abyssinia obliged
the Government to drop a
scheme which would have
secured for the unlucky Aby-
ssinians much better terms
than they ultimately obtain-
ed. The Government knew
that the resistance of the
Abyssinians was about to
collapse; the public did not
know it. Whether Mussolini
would have accepted the terms
I do not know; the French
and English diplomats
thought at the time that he
might consent to them.

A foreign statesman once
said that of all nations the
British are the most capable

of going to war for an idea.
I cannot recall a case when
we have actually done so,
though we have often been
very near it. Our righteous-
ly indignant politicians are
nearly always in opposition.
Office cools the brain.

Do these indignant pro-
tests have any effect on for-
eign nations? That they may
seriously embarrass our own
Government we have seen; in
the recent crisis they might
well have been disastrous.
Well-informed and temper-
ately expressed criticisms
may be really helpful, if they
are allowed to reach those for
whom they are intended. But
under a dictatorship public
opinion, if it can be said to
exist, is inarticulate. The
Press in those countries re-
ports only violent and irres-
ponsible utterances, which in-
flame men's minds against us.
The mischief done in this way
can hardly be exaggerated.

No sensible person on the
Continent doubts that we sin-
cerely desire peace and good
will. Bruce Lockhart, from
whom I have quoted before,
found among all the smaller
nations an earnest desire that
Great Britain should be in a
position to make her influence
felt. They all look to us to
prevent a war.

But many people on the
Continent say: "You Eng-
lish are in the position of a
gambler who, having raked in
a very large stake, proposes
that the party shall play for
love for the rest of the even-
ing. The nations are divided
into the Haves and the Have
Not. You are the chief of
the Haves."

We have held our Empire
on two unwritten conditions.
First, that our Army shall be
kept too small to threaten any
Continental nation, and, sec-
ond, that we shall open our
doors for alien
commerce. When these
conditions are
violated, our
position at
once becomes
dangerous.

We are also accused of hav-
ing been none too just and
merciful ourselves. Arnold
Toynbee, in his great histori-
cal work, says that in our
Colonies—in North America
and Australia, for instance—
we have almost exterminated
the natives, while the Spanish
colonies are still largely In-
dian. This, however, is not
fair. Nomad hunters must
disappear in the face of Euro-
pean settlement; half-civilised
communities, like those of
Mexico and Peru, can sur-
vive. The inhabitants of the
Greater Antilles and of the
Canaries were completely des-
troyed by the Spaniards.

But the slave trade is a
terrible blot on our escutcheon.
I will give two frightful in-
stances, which show that not
so long ago our humanity
was only skin deep. My au-
thority is George Billington's
"Front Page News, Once."

"March 21, 1737. They
write from Antigua of the
15th January, that they con-
tinued executing the negroes
concerned in the plot to sub-
vert the Government: 69 had
been executed, of whom five
were broken on the wheels.
Six were hung in chains upon
gibbets; and, starved to death,
of whom one lived nine nights
and eight days without any
sustenance; their heads then

cut off and bodies burnt: 58
were chained to stakes and
burnt, above 130 remain in
prison."

"June 14, 1737.—St. Chris-
topher's, ship Prince of Or-
ange of Bristol, captain
Japhat Bird. On the 14th of
March we found a great deal
of discontent among the men,
which continued till the 16th.
About five o'clock in the even-
ing to our great amazement
above a hundred of the men
slaves jumped overboard, and
it was with great difficulty
that we saved as many as we
did. We lost 38, as good men
slaves as we had on board,
who would not endeavour to
save themselves, but resolved
to die and sunk directly down.
Many more were taken up al-

most drowned, some of them
died since, but not to the
owner's loss, they being sold
before any discovery was
made of the injury the salt
water had done them."

The "ape and tiger" are not
dead, even in our good-natur-
ed country; and if we ever
succeed in killing them in our
hearts, we shall still have to
deal with that more intract-
able animal, the donkey. Mean-
while, a little more courtesy
in criticising our neighbours
is desirable. We have the re-
putation of being censorious,
and this both irritates other
countries and makes them
less willing to listen to us.

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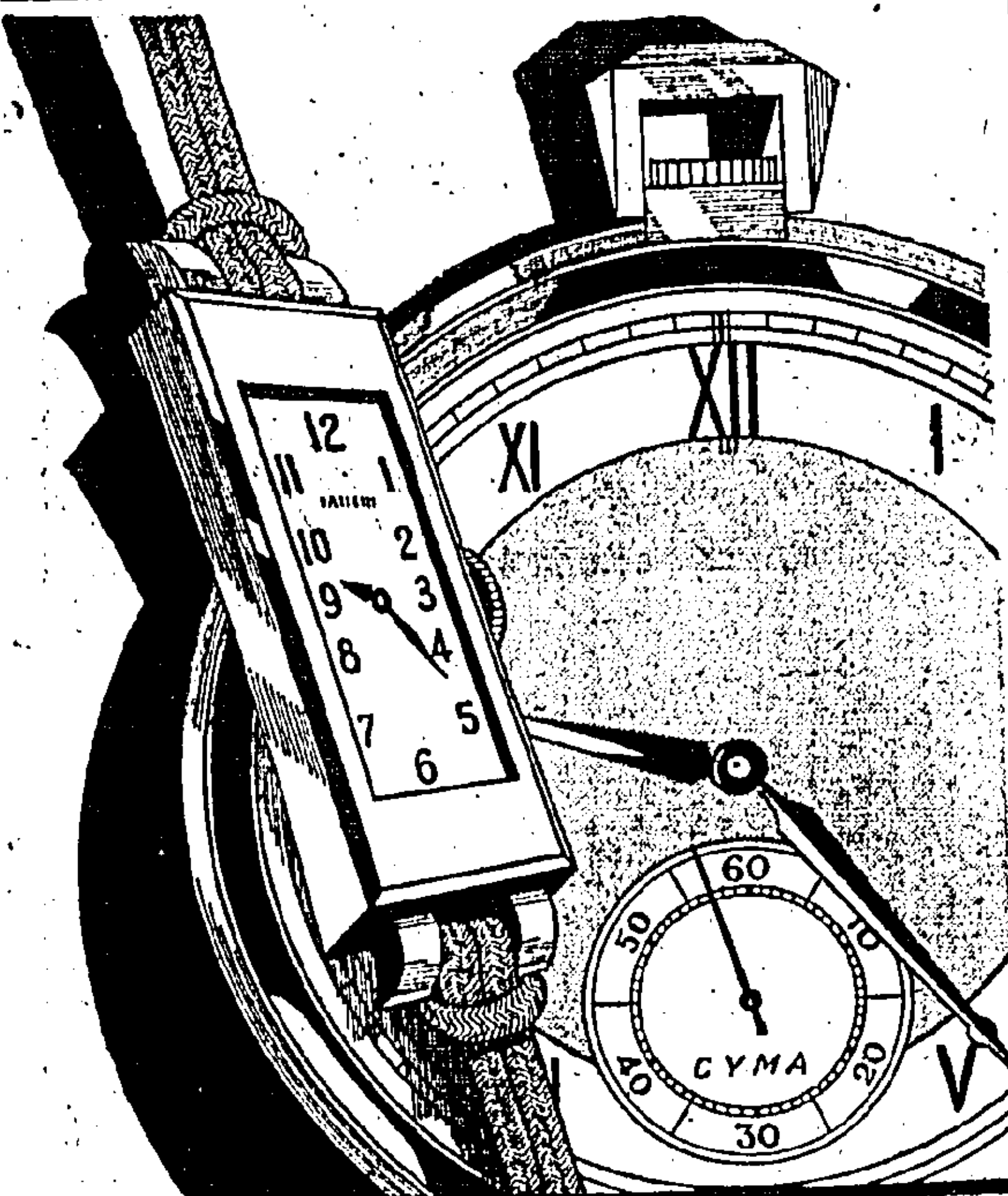


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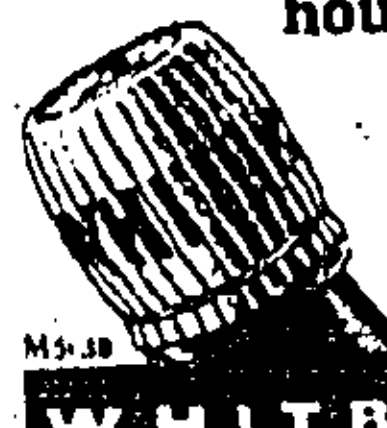
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SLUM CLEARANCE

FIRST fruits are not always ripe, but the first fruits of the report of the Housing Commission, though not itself a document calculated to shake the citizens of Hong Kong out of their complacency, have appeared in the decision to establish a Town Planning Committee, a proposal which bears the impress of mature approach.

Indications that zoning will be one of the first problems to engage the attention of the Committee is a warning. It means that this is but the first step in an undertaking which will take years to complete. As that was bound to be, however, the point of real importance is that a start is being made. From that start, it is to be hoped, without any precipitate action, there will be observed determination to waste no time in the job before the Committee, for at some time or other slum clearance has to be tackled, and the sooner the preliminary spadework has been done, the earlier will the true nature of the problem be seen in proper perspective.

Efficient planning will be more than half the battle. After nearly a century of speculative building, in which the idea of orderly design seems never to have entered anybody's head, communal control will undoubtedly involve drastic "surgical operations" in different parts of the Colony. Some control has, of course, always existed. There are masses of building regulations which, technically, prohibit jerry-building and require a minimum of light and air in buildings where the masses live and work. But these regulations have at all times been honoured more in the breach than the observance and miles of featureless, drab Chinese tenement blocks conceal one of the worst mass slum problems in the world.

The people now housed in one or other of the Colony's urban refugee camps are immensely better off than thousands who pay an absurdly high percentage of their income on a gloomy cubicle or a bed-space under the stairs of a disease-ridden tenement house.

An architectural competition, for the design of community flats for workers, so planned that they will not easily become dank slums in their turn, might well prove a profitable investment for Government and Colony.

A LESSON TO JAPAN?

AT Kulangsu, Japan's attempt to emulate Hitler's high pressure tactics in bluffing the Western Powers into acceding to demands in the name of appeasement received a stunning set-back, thanks to the prompt joint action taken by the British, American and French authorities.

The warning thus given that the status of the Kulangsu Municipal Council is not to be altered unilaterally must have reverberations in Shanghai.

The Japanese press is also puzzled. When, without going into precise details, the "Asahi Shimbun" predicted that the Anglo-American-French landing would have "far-reaching consequences," it may have been unwittingly prophetic. If, as many hope, the Amoy affair presages a firmer attitude all round, the consequences may well be termed "far-reaching."

Britain's discussions with the Soviet, focal point in the endeavour to build up a bloc of countries, not anti-German, but pledged to resist aggression and the employment of force for political ends, have dragged on pertinently, further exchanges of Notes, long conversations between M. Malsky and Lord Halifax notwithstanding. Sharp cleavage between the respective viewpoints became obvious with Russia's reply on Tuesday insisting on the principle of a triple alliance.

Anxiety in Britain was forcefully expressed during Friday's debate. Mr. Lloyd George accused the Government of jeopardising the peace front and the hope of averting war by the rousing Russian suspicions of our motives, and demanded that the Soviet offer of a straight-forward military alliance be accepted. Mr. Attlee, Mr. Churchill, Mr. Eden and Sir Archibald Sinclair made speeches in a similar spirit. Mr. Chamberlain's reply, franker than is customary with the Prime Minister, carried conviction juristically, but failed to remove the impression that a long-standing antipathy to Soviet institutions and associations had contributed to the long-drawn-out negotiations.

What clearly emerged was that Britain had submitted proposals which contemplated a complicated arrangement of insurance for Poland and Rumania, only to be used when asked for. Russia's condition for entry into any peace-front system was a clear undertaking of mutual aid by the three principal Powers. It was forthright; as plain as the Italo-German alliance to be signed on Monday. Despite the final vote, Parliament told the Premier fairly plainly that it is losing patience with half-hearted measures. The Press, Liberal, Labour and Conservative is in a single voice; a recent test of public opinion revealed 70 per cent. of Britons in favour of a triple alliance.

Decline in German agitation over Danzig, Europe's principal danger point at present, was marked. One explanation, but not very satisfactory one, was however. One, the step afford-

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Mussolini's Turin speech was singularly moderate in tone. Peace was the keynote. Nevertheless, the stress was on the peace that the Axis sought, an imposed peace, in line with Berlin and Rome ideas on how Europe should be re-organised. In the upshot, it did nothing to increase the tension, nor to improve international confidence.

Intense diplomatic pressure being exerted on all the Balkan States shows no sign of waning, or of producing a decisive result. Bulgaria's mind remains to be made up. Yugo-Slavia is credited with surrender to the Axis, on the somewhat obscure pretext that the Anglo-Turkish Mediterranean Pact has destroyed the Balkan Pact. Belgrade news suggested another angle of approach. Commitments by M. Marcovitch or Prince Paul are not necessarily decisive. The feeling of the people of Yugo-Slavia is probably just as important as the diplomatic manoeuvrings of the government.

The stand taken by Britain, the United States and France at Kulangsu appeared, to some extent, to be vitiated by events in Shanghai. Secret mobilisation of all forces at the disposal of the Shanghai and French Municipal Councils for the purpose of a grand comb-out of the French Concession bore every indication of persistence in appeasement, of an expression of a desire by the Councils to continue the Japanese of their "sin-

ed also, quite incidentally, an excellent demonstration of how quickly Shanghai's international forces, for the maintenance of peace and order, could be mobilised in an emergency. Two, the trouble-makers sought may not, perhaps, have been pro-Chinese but pro-Japanese agents-provocateurs!

Noteworthy are the many indications of assumption of leadership by the United States in the handling of international problems in the Far East. The transfer of the American Fleet to the Pacific was the first and vital move. Admiral Yarnell is credited with the initiative in decision to land international forces at Kulangsu. Mr. Joseph Grew carried the rejection by the United States of Japan's demand for changes in the administration of the International Settlement and in the Land Regulations some 24 hours before Sir Robert Craigie conveyed Britain's reply in like terms.

From the crudit "New York Times" comes singular explanation of the failure of the Japanese forces to carry out the smashing triumph in Central Hupoh for which they had so carefully prepared. The trouble appears to be that the Chinese are so ignorant of military tactics that they do not know when to retreat. Adopting well-known tactics, the Japanese deployed four divisions in a series of spearhead thrusts into the Chinese lines until sound military tactics called for the Chinese between these spearheads to retreat. But the poor, ignorant Chinese just remained where they were and continued to pour fire into the Japanese troops when they tried to extend the salients carved into the Chinese lines. Altogether, it seems, it has been very annoying.

It is easy to feel deeply for the Japanese having to fight such dolts. But what could they expect of a nation that has been so stupid that it could not appreciate Japan's kindly interference in their internal affairs, and has had the infuriating gall to stand up and hit back when kicked in the teeth for the umpteenth time?

SCRUTATOR.

**Battle Of Ideas: by H. White
I'm a Forgotten Man At 24!**

MY work is a negation. I am, stand by. Against my wish, an enemy Heaven forbid I add to this of my fellowmen. I am, to Capitalism, a useful weapon, a breaker of strikes, for my very appearance strikes fear to the hearts of all working men.

To Mr. Ernest Brown I am a number—not yet of the "hard core," but progressing! To the employer I am useful for keeping eye down wages, the standard of life, and the cry of the oppressed. To him, the only regret is that I eat, and must, therefore, be kept alive to serve my purpose.

I am, as you now have realised, unemployed! Strange how my life has been influenced by my "position." I am the object of pity; of scorn; of contempt; of hatred. As public opinion sways I become a fellow-being in need: a seeker of work—more usual, a "work-shy."

Parsons offer me in consolation a "life divine" in the hereafter. I ask for it now! The Army offers me a man's life—glory or a bullet. But Society offers me no life at all—hardly the right to live.

I have become an outcast—my only warmth an occasional unemployment. I was only a means of profit-profit-making inside my rib-spacer chest.

Strange life mine! Shrewish spinsters from padded seats of vague committee meetings demand that I breed, and breed. "I have," quote these loan-words, "a duty to the State." But here I pause—has not the State a duty to me?

I have lived too long in slumdom to heed their barren cry. Too many mothers, haggard with child-birth, weak with starvation, live round me.

Like birds of prey, I see them amongst the barrows of back-street hawkers, pawing with eager fingers for second-hand clothes. Rags, cast off by other more fortunate, are their food.

rugged clothes no longer a canker in my mind. Complete futility had crushed hope. I was no longer a mortal struggling to find a niche in life. My niche had been given me by others; and now I accepted it and ceased to waste energy in a useless struggle.

Came a sudden realisation. My father had worked for 40 years for one firm: was now on the "scrap heap." Neighbours, too, used whilst young. Lifetimes of toil, with poverty all through. In old age cast off, useless—still in poverty.

I accepted this defeatism. Now I offer no resistance to my position. I have given up desire for the life of other men. I shall not marry nor have my own home and children. Let the birth fanatics beat their bogy of race suicide, for I, who know semi-death in life, will bring no children into the world to be the tools of Capitalism.

My life—such as it is—will I spend in quiet forgetfulness, a monastic life (as it were) within the roar and throb of the cities. The conflagration of war, the persecution of men, the patriotic mouthings of pot-bellied politicians, the beating of the "National" drum for volunteers, volunteers and volunteers are to me as the beating of rain on my attic roof.

I have nothing to fight for, nothing to defend, nothing to lose. I am a complete entity, owning nothing but the clothes on my back. No stocks or shares, no fear in the rise and fall of money markets.

Soon will I achieve complete isolation. Such, then, is my "work" and my life. I am cut off from production in the material world; cut off from usefulness. And I have cut myself off from producing in the "human" world.

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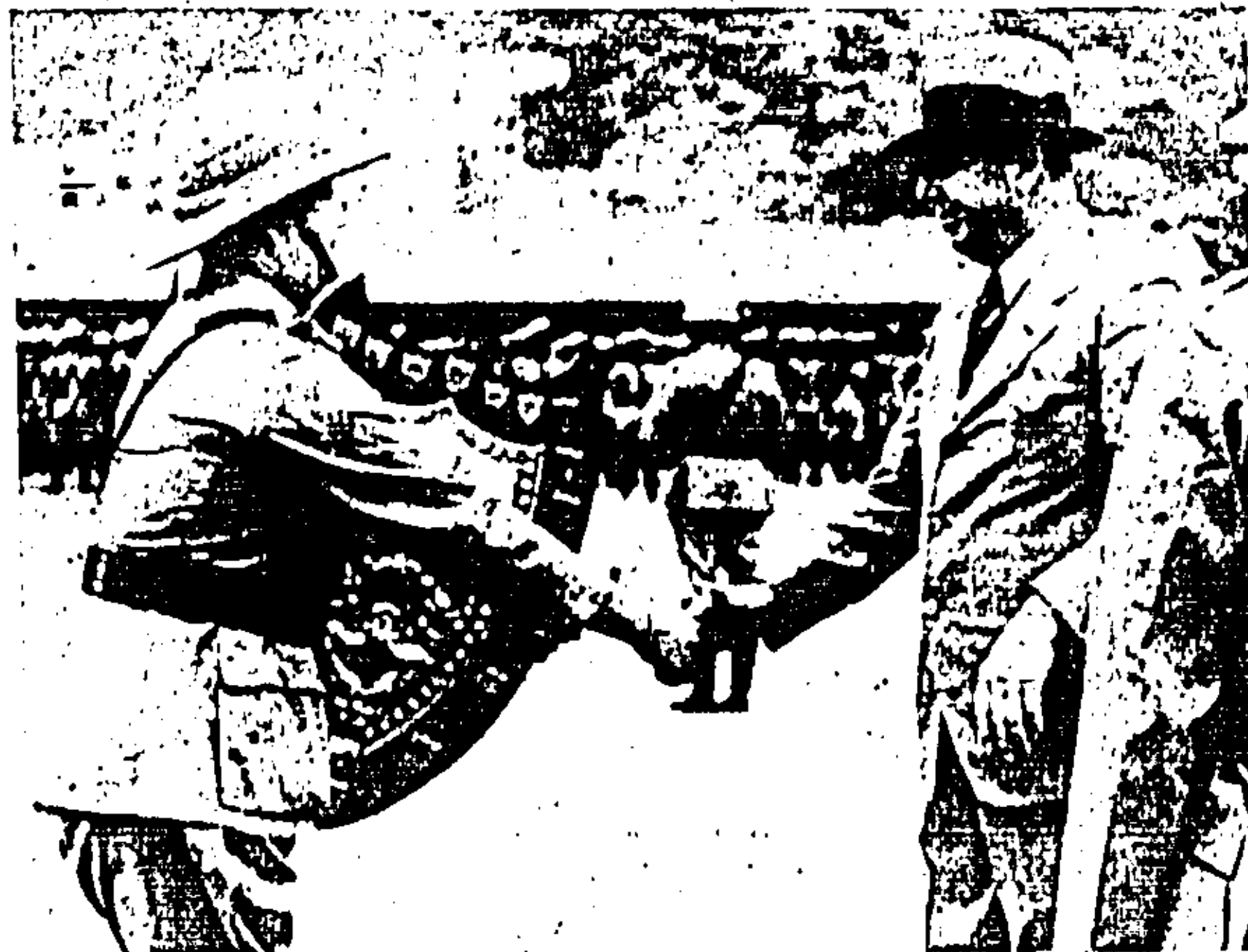
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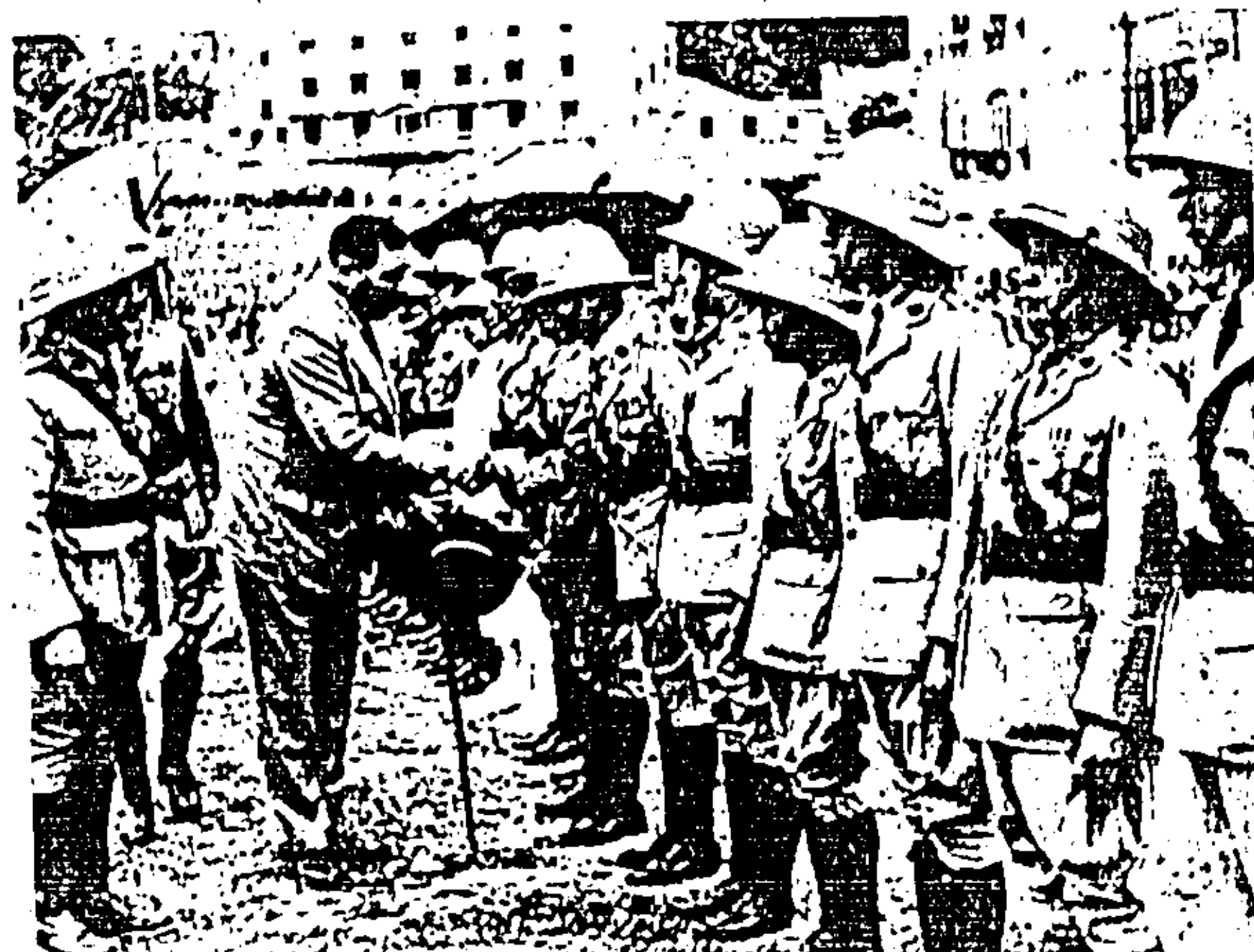
His Excellency the Governor strolling with Mrs. R. Langley, when he inspected the St. John's Ambulance Brigade last Monday. In the background are the G.O.C., Major General A. E. Grasett, and Mrs. Grasett.



Sir Geoffrey Northcote, photographed shortly after he presented the Ralph's Shield, at the annual inspection of St. John's Ambulance Brigade on the Open Naval Ground, Causeway Bay, last Monday.



Sir Geoffrey Northcote being introduced to one of the divisional nursing officers.



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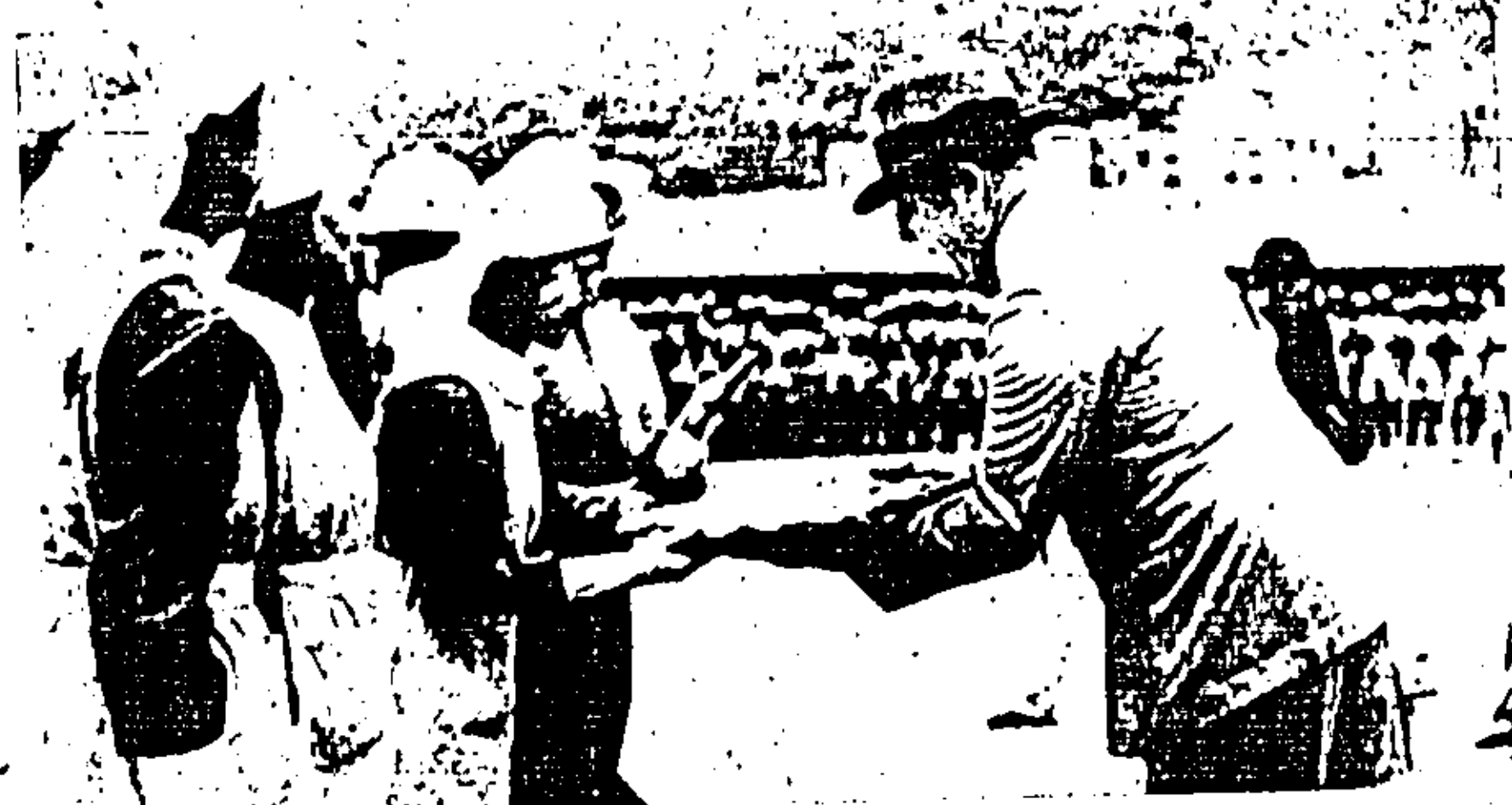
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His Excellency the Governor inspects the ambulance donated to the St. John's Ambulance Brigade by Mr. Fok Chi-ling.

THE WEEK'S PHOTOGRAPHY

IN the most recent issue of "Popular Photography", there is a very interesting article by a famous photographer on camera design and suggestions for the ideal photographic equipment of the future. This article was a most instructive one for it covered, in a general way, the whole field of photography, and I doubt if, among advanced workers, anyway, there would be any dissentients from the views expressed. In my own humble way, however, I am inclined to take a different attitude in so far

By "Shutter"

as camera design is concerned, although I wish to make it clearly understood that I speak for myself and possibly for many of that body of amateurs who are never likely to acquire sufficient skill to enable them to make photography a means of earning their daily bread.

Most of us are in the game for the fun of the thing, and if a few cash prizes in competitions can be picked up from time to time so much the better. At any rate, I for one, have never objected to the various operations that must be carried out before the shutter is released, and it has always seemed to me that it is a matter for congratulation, when studying the finished print, that the focussing, exposure calculation and composition were all just as they should be. It is true that most of us wish at times for a device fitted to the camera which would automatically set the shutter, especially in those cases when the opportunity of taking a certain picture will not occur again, but, apart from this I think

ed were the best all-round from every point of view. I would be better pleased, however, were amateurs to specify "glossy" surfaces when having enlargements made for reproduction.

Despite the fact that Mr. A. Ritchie's visit to Cheung Chau took place on a rather dull day he has secured two quite attractive studies of the fishing fleet setting sail for the fishing grounds. Of the two, I find "The Fleet Moves Off" the more attractive. "At Anchor" is inclined to be badly balanced with heavy masses on the right hand side, and a somewhat confusing effect is created to the left of the centre where the sails of the junk in the foreground come into contact with those of another and the tip of land.

It might be asked also, as regards the first print, if it is a study of the rocks in the foreground with the junks for background or vice versa. I rather doubt it. To me it is a fairly satisfactory study all round and the lower viewpoint is rather a change.

MAKING SURE OF A SUBJECT.

In a letter accompanying these two prints, the writer mentioned that he always makes it a practice of making duplicate exposures when a satisfactory rendering of the subject is definitely desired. I am very much in agreement with this practice and it is one that I generally follow myself. It does happen that there may be a defect in the negative itself and very often, out of sheer perversity, this is the case when only one exposure is made. Sometimes, of course, it is difficult to tell one from the other when two exposures of the



"At Anchor" by A. B. Ritchie.

FILTERS

A reader asks for advice as to what filters he should equip himself with for general purposes. As a basis for individual experiments it may be accepted that some four or five filters (say, pale green, a deeper green, yellow, amber or orange) can with advantage be included in even early equipments. For general guidance, the two former ones may be used most effectively in early morning and in the evening, whilst the others must be more critically used when the sun is higher.

CONCLUSIVE evidence, if such were needed, of the lengths to which some amateurs are prepared to go to secure a picture was amply provided last Sunday evening. It was while we were returning to Kowloon from the beach and were ascend-

ing the Castle Peak Road hill immediately above Lai-chikok, that we almost ran into a young Chinese gentleman who was squatting in the middle of the road with a most expensive looking miniature glued to his face. Only praiseworthy presence of mind on the part of our driver and considerable agility on the young man's part, averted disaster. We were denied the opportunity, unfortunately, of seeing the scene which had so enraptured our misguided enthusiast, when another bend and another car completely blocked our view. The moral, however, dear readers, is obvious. Eschew, as you would the plague, those situations which are not only decidedly unhealthy to your good selves, but which constitute also, a veritable menace to other people, particularly those whose nerves, like those of your gentle critic, are not what they were.



"The Fleet Moves Off" by A. B. Ritchie.

there is a lot of fun to be got out of deciding all these things beforehand.

It is inevitable, of course, that camera design will be improved upon, and the mechanical side will grow simpler year by year for the worker. It's true that it is the man behind the camera that counts in the long run. Incidentally, there is some excellent proof of this in this same publication. A number of prominent photographers were invited to submit pictures taken with inexpensive box cameras and the published results must certainly be gratifying to those who continue to pin their faith to this type of camera.

Of the entries which came along in the posting last week the two select-

same subject are made, but it is better to have two good prints than one dud one.

With landscapes and other subjects that remain static the need for two or more exposures is not so necessary, but if on the other hand, the subject is very much affected by cloud shadows, great variations will be caused and it is well worth having a choice for enlargement purposes.

When a subject includes moving figures it is well to make several exposures. You seldom have the figures well posed and placed at the same moment and each extra exposure gives another chance of securing a satisfactory result.

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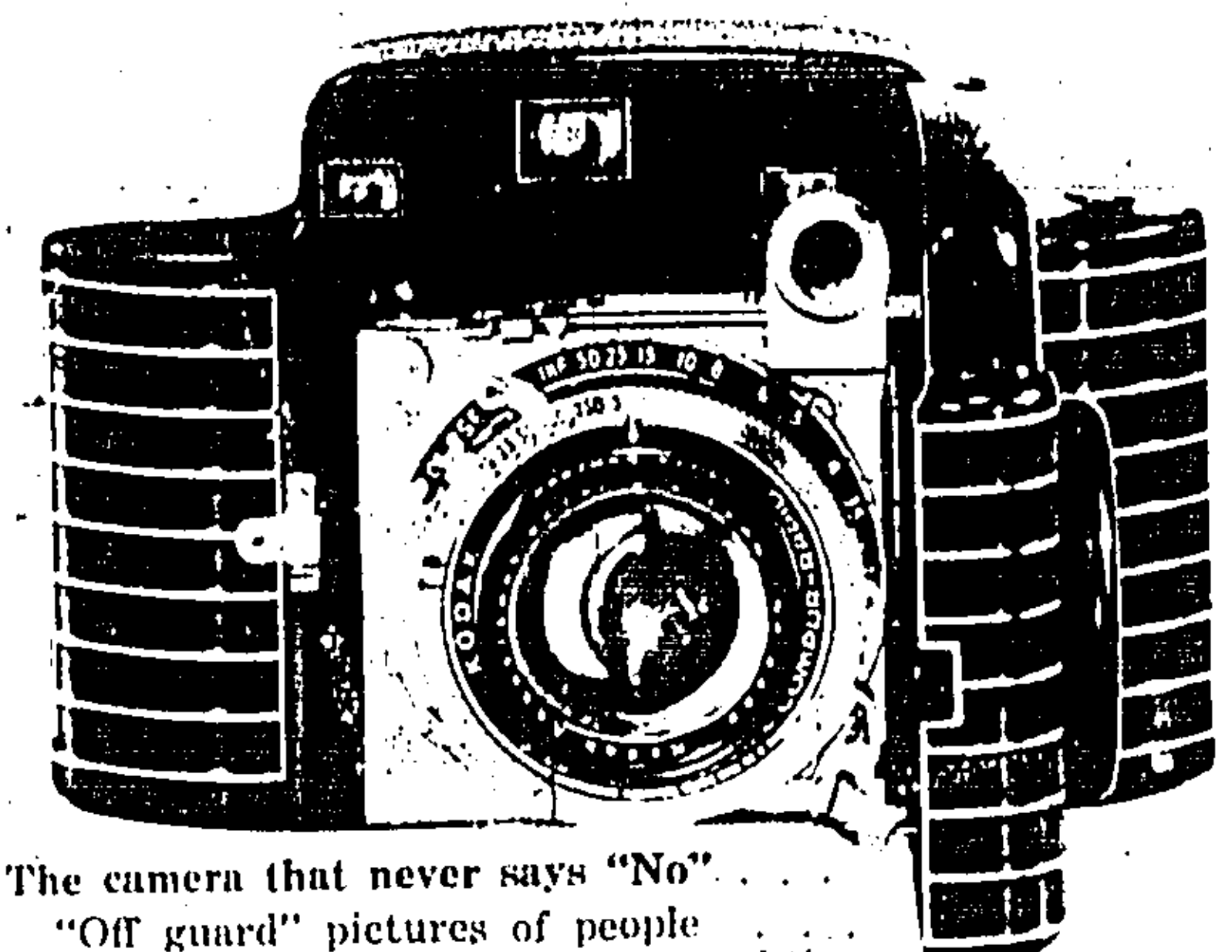
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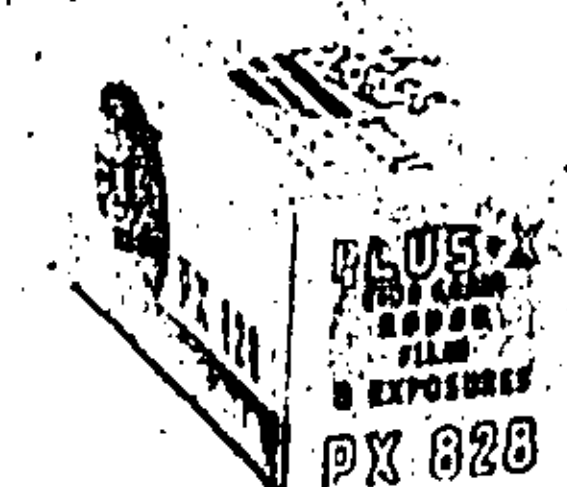
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Is Woman's Place at Home?

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There is hardly an activity closed to women, or not yet entered by them. One would have thought this question of a woman's place was settled. But it is not settled.

Believe it or not, like it or not, you can't laugh off the fact that there is a growing resentment in the whole Western world against the role played by women. Five, or even ten years ago, it was hard to find an intelligent person who would publicly take an anti-feminist attitude. To-day, a great many intelligent people are taking it. And a great many of these people are young. It isn't the old fogies who are clamouring to restore women to the kitchen stove and the nursery. It is the young men going out into the world and finding that there isn't work for them.

Let me tell you what men say about women: -- They say that women no longer care about having husbands and babies and that it isn't worth while any more to work for women because men aren't appreciated; that women are taking away men's jobs; that women prefer to have their own incomes, their own apartments; they blame women for the crime wave, for the collapse of private and public morals; they say that women want to have their cake and eat it, to be protected and free, to be provided for and independent.

And now, let me tell you what women say: -- They say that it is harder for a woman to get a job in competition with men, even if she is equally or better equipped; that men resent women intensely in all executive positions; that men are increasingly unwilling to accept the sole financial responsibility for a wife and family; that no woman can count nowadays on her husband; they say that their

There is a growing resentment against the "career woman." Women can combat this resentment. Where they stand fifty years from now will depend on the choices they make to-day.



Old fashioned charm, after the modern manner, is reflected in this red and white candy striped chafis evening frock worn by Ida Lupino, Columbia star. The front of the bodice is gathered at both ends to give fullness to the bust, and a taffeta petticoat is worn underneath giving an antebellum fullness to the skirt.

husbands do not share their business cares with them and make fun of their own "cultural" activities; they blame men for the crime wave, for the collapse of private and public morals; they say men don't know how to make love and don't understand women.

And this, in what has been called The Woman's Century.

How far have women come in fifty years? Legally, fifty years ago women were not "people." Husband and wife were one person and that person was the husband. No "nice" woman would go to a hotel alone, and no good hotel would accommodate an unescorted woman.

For no group of human beings on earth has the world so opened up since the end of the nineteenth century as for women. To-day there is no profession—including mining engineering—in which they are not represented. But far and away the greatest and most significant change which has occurred has been in the field of morals. Birth control has changed woman's life far more than bullets.

Could we go back even if we wanted to? "Marriage," says Mr. Lawrence Dennis, "is, and remains, woman's chief career." If by "chief career" Mr. Dennis means that marriage is usually the central and most important thing in a woman's life, then he is certainly correct. But is it, and is it likely to remain, or become again the chief centre of her actual activities? I doubt it.

Except for the very rich, most of the healthy human being's waking time is spent in work.

And it is well that it is so. For it is by work, the application of one's muscles or brains, to materials or problems that mankind creates, not only the world in which he lives but himself as well.

To shut women out of everything except home activities to-day would mean to confine them to a more limited existence than they have ever had in history. It would mean the sterilisation of the creative talents of one-half of people.

The second question which arises in one's mind in connection with the query: Can they go back? Is what such a reactionary tendency would do to the business world itself. The analogy between the number of women working and the number of men unemployed seems to suggest that if women stopped working men would have jobs. Of course, nothing of the kind would necessarily follow.

On the whole, women are still doing what has traditionally been described as "woman's work," only they are doing it under the conditions imposed by a modern industrial society. Of the occupations engaging women-wage earners the largest is still domestic service.

Admitting that there are many women office workers, women are in offices because men want them there. It is a field of work where the qualities traditionally attributed to women make them most useful: neatness, patience with detail, orderliness, and willingness to identify their interests with those of someone else.

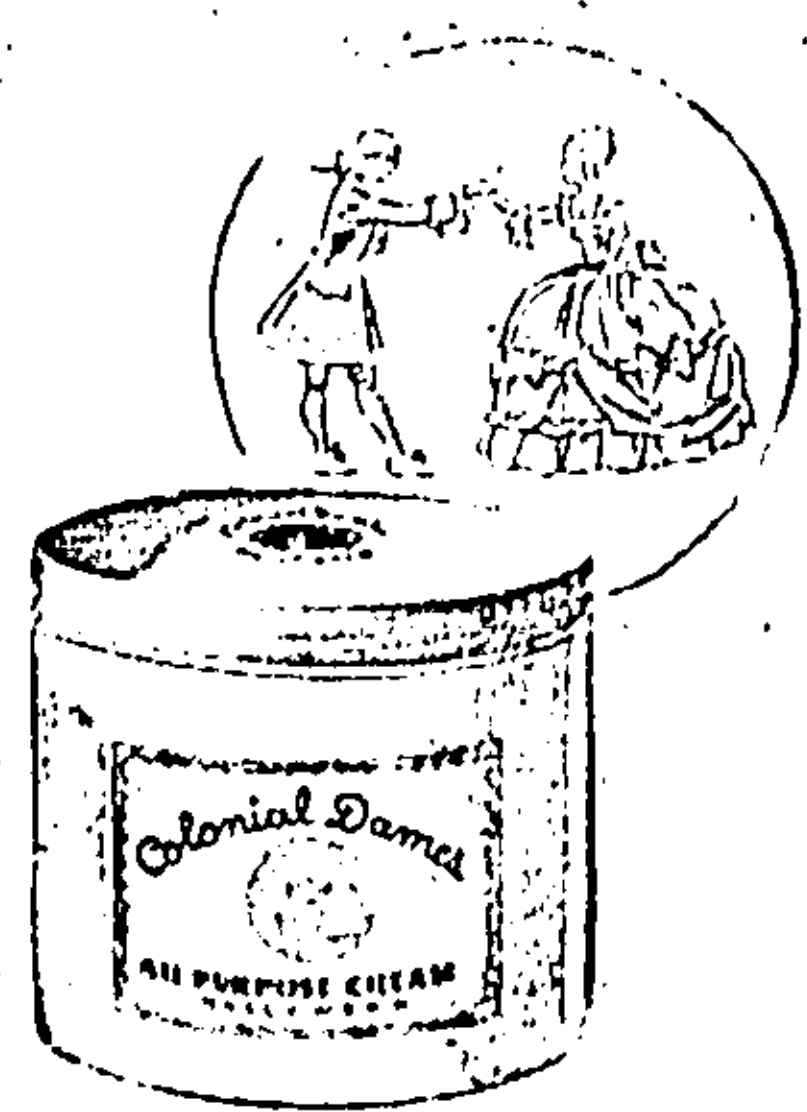
Who shall say that in this they are taking men's work away from them? On the contrary, men have invaded all the more lucrative of women's traditional occupations. There are more men milliners, and more home decorators, all well-paying positions as cooks are held by men, and it could be reasonably argued that the only traditional female activity exclusive reserved for women is bearing children.

Women are in industry because either their traditional activities have been industrialised, or because new activities have been created for which they are especially fitted.

The resentment against women in certain fields of activity may be due to psychological factors difficult to gauge, it may be due to envy, and it may be partially justifiable.

But where women stand fifty years hence will depend upon the choices they make in the next decades.

They can go into wholesale competition with men for the sake of bolstering their own prestige, or they can work for a society where prestige will play a smaller role altogether, where genuine achievement will be considered above financial success, and where people are judged less by what they do than by what they are. They can use their social power to encourage love for money, or they can use it to encourage admiration for creative talent and fine behaviour.



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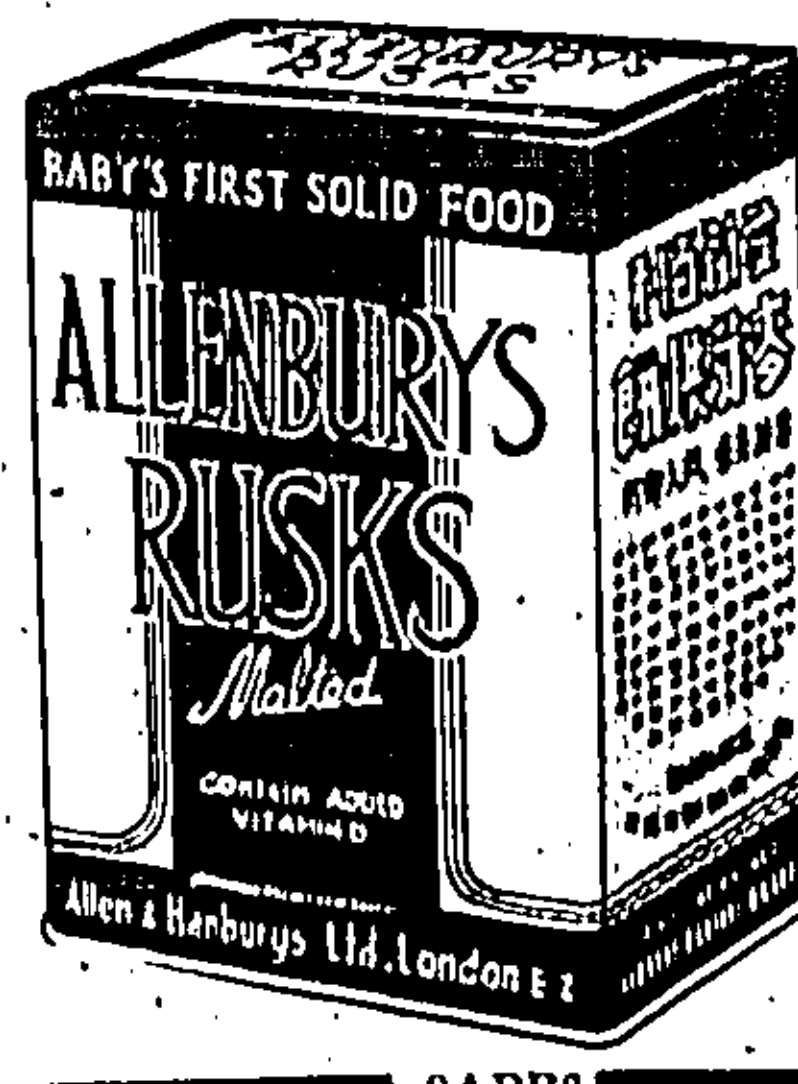
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Orchids to Single Women

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ALL my life I have heard and read eulogies to the wives and mothers, women who have accomplished miracles of labour and love, all with next to no tangible reward and practically no rest or recreation. According to all reports, most women who are wives and mothers lead a day labourer's life from dawn until

for or done in a house with no so-called salary. One need only look over a record of women's accomplishment in the last few years in welfare work and politics and in broadening a hundred fields of work for women, to realise how large a proportion must be credited to Extras—single women or widows or perhaps ex-wives. Some



The pioneers of the Middle West have inspired this novel print which Dorothy Moore, Columbia star, uses in so many versatile ways. At top, Dorothy shows you her play dress, a casual affair with blouse and buttoned-down-the-front overskirt. A shady sombrero and bag are made of the same fabric. Top right, Dorothy substitutes knee-length shorts for the skirt, and applies a pair of spurred boots to one side. Right, yet another clever idea—a brief sun tan and shorts, with cowboy hat applique instead of boots this time.

midnight and are the world's greatest martyrs. And while this may be perfectly true, and often appears to be, it does seem a little odd to my limited logic that such a large proportion of the women in this world can scarcely wait to have a fling at martyrdom.

My own opinion is that a few kind words might be said for the unmarried woman. She may not have to dry the children's tears and cook her husband's beefsteak and apple dumplings, along with running the car and cleaning the closets and looking fresh as a daisy at supper but she does have to shift for herself in the face of a pretty general opinion that she's only a left-over and so not a very important person after all. I'd like to see a few of the wives I know, whose martyrdom is considerably bolstered by their husbands' devotion and bank accounts, face that little poser.

That it can be done with success—and even with charm and gaiety—is being proved by thousands of women to-day. And that this is true speaks well for the courage of these Extra Women.

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of the laziest women I know have husbands and children and some of the busiest I know are solitary females, quite on their own.

This is not to belittle the wives who have really made sacrifices, but it is to say that the women who live alone are doing pretty well, too. I suspect, incidentally, that members of the first group are usually playing their role because they want to and that the second are playing theirs because it seems better and wiser in their particular cases.



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Why, then, should any man marry? Why does he? Why does a man give up all this precious freedom of thought and action? Why does he tie himself to another single person in mind and body, and undertake to provide for that person? What makes him renounce the joys of liberty for the cares and worries of partnership? A partnership that makes him the early morning train-catcher, the open cheque-book, the eternal provider? No getting away from it!

Good-bye to the old days and the old ways. How much personal liberty is there left when matrimony once sets its seal upon a man? Oh, I know there are going to be wives here who say, "But Tom can come home when he likes. I wouldn't dream of interfering between him and his old friends." We all know that this is just humbug and doesn't mean a thing. For a man can no longer be free, in any way, when, at the front and the back and the whole of his mind, there is the constant pre-occupation that marriage and a family bring about.

Yes, I know. He can get away now and then with an old friend for a week-end's golf. The broad-minded wife will "let" him, and boast of her broad-mindedness to her friends. But that isn't freedom. That is only a glimpse of the never-never land.

You can give a man freedom, liberty, money, friends, books, but something in the blood still makes him want something else. And that something is one particular woman.

There comes a moment in the life of almost every man when it seems that everything must end if one particular woman passes beyond his reach. It is useless, then, to remind him of the consequences of marriage. Foolish to say to him that what he feels to-day, he may no longer feel to-morrow or a year hence. He knows only that it is terribly important that he alone must have a vital say in this one woman's life.

He shakes off the warnings of his friends. Almost laughingly he throws away all these rich possessions that women themselves have always envied and are always fighting for—freedom, economic liberty, independence. He tosses them lightly overboard.

He joins his lot with the woman. In doing so he may gain, in other things, much more than he has renounced. That, however, has little to do with him. That depends on the woman. It depends on the woman, then, what can be made of this man who has given up everything for her; what happiness can be given to him to compensate him for his act of renunciation.

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A man alone, wherever he is, can always seem complete, a woman never. A woman needs always the company, the background, of a man. A man can have his work, his friends, his drinks, his pipe, his round of golf, his nights-out. He will find enough women eager to look after him or to entertain him. And when he has sought relaxation, and wants solitude, he can obtain it simply by desiring it. A simple "Good-bye," or "Well, we must make another date some other time," murmured on the right side of somebody's front door, ends the matter. No one can deter him. No one has the power to say, "Hey, where are you off to?"

We all know perfectly well that it isn't so in the case of a woman, and no one, I hope, is going to pretend it is. A woman's lot is a vastly different affair, and I, for one, think it is a shame that it should be so. But I cannot alter

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She leaned nearer, "I try never to forget," she answered, "what Keith gave up to marry me."

Now this may sound dramatic. It may suggest that in this woman's case her husband had made all kinds of sacrifices to achieve his bride. At the very least, you might gather he had married beneath him, defied his own family for love, been cut off without a cent, and married the girl of his choice.

As far as I knew, Keith had made no tremendous sacrifices to marry Eileen. They were just a couple of nice, ordinary people who fell in love, actually it was at the tennis club—got engaged, and were duly married.

Eileen saw that I was a little surprised at her remark, and she went on to elaborate: "Just think for a moment. When a man marries, he gives up everything. Yes, really everything. The woman gains everything. We all know this, if we just think of it for a moment, but so many women forget it."

What a basis for a successful marriage! And in this case it is almost radiantly successful.

When you really get down to it, there's a lot of truth in what this happy woman said to me. It is true that if anyone gains by marriage it is the woman. It is true that a man gives up that freedom of mind and body that are his till he married. Unmarried, he can do as he will. The world is his.

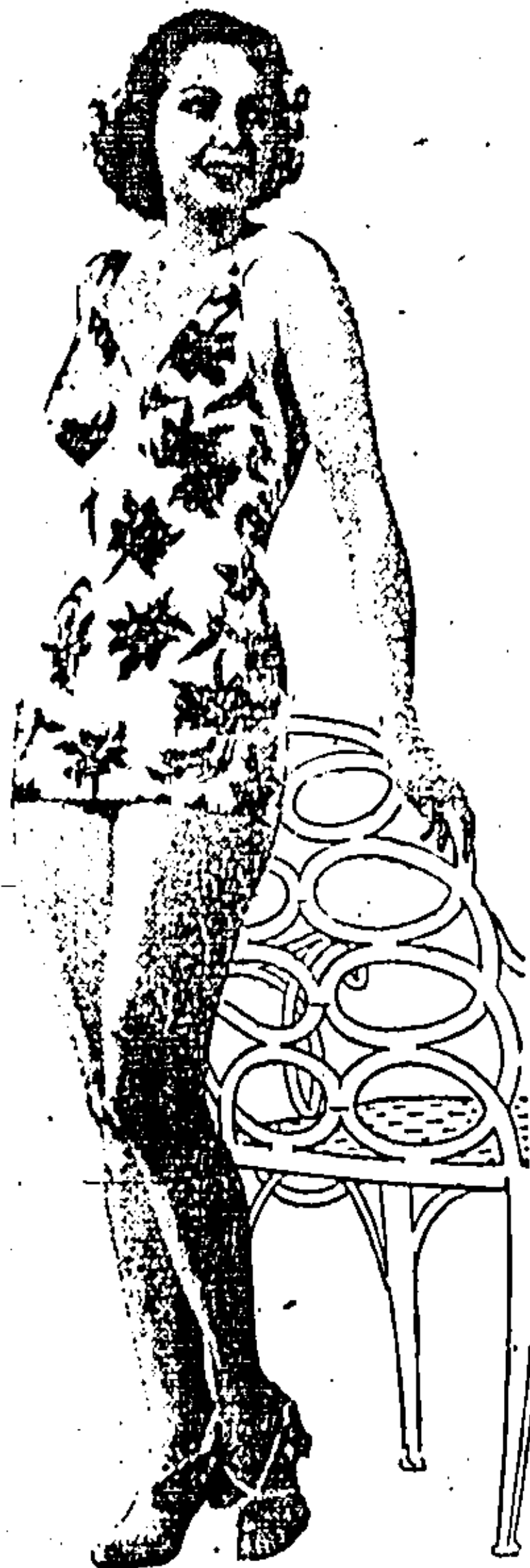
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Mr. and Mrs. Victor S. Mamak, whose marriage took place last Sunday in the Rosary Church, Kowloon. The bridegroom is associated with Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., and the bride is on the staff of the National City Bank of New York. Others in the bridal group include Miss C. Passos and Miss T. Rosario, bridesmaids, Mr. J. Brooks, and Mr. C. Baptista, bestman. (Royal Studio).



The rowing events in connection with the Closing Day of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club were held on May 6th, and above is shown a view of the fleet at anchor in Deep Water Bay before the regatta.



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P. O. Swan of the Naval Range Staff, Storr, after winning the Governor's Cup with a Hong Kong Rifle Association.



P. O. Swan's success in the Hong Kong Rifle Association's "Bisley" finals is attested to in the many trophies he received that day.



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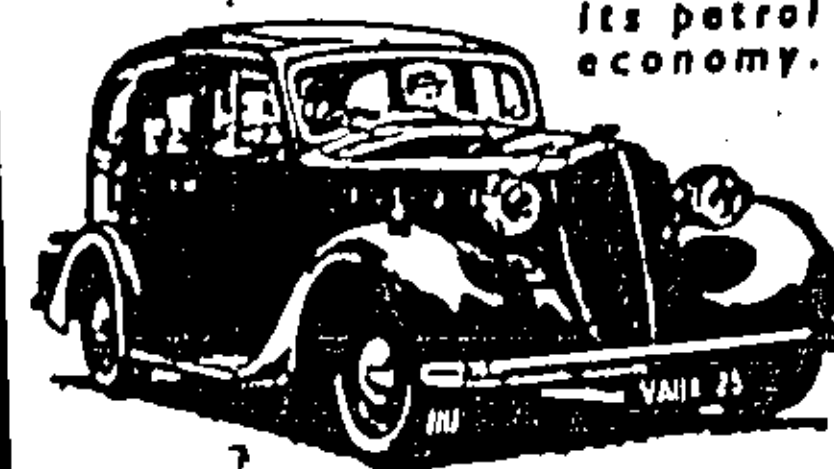
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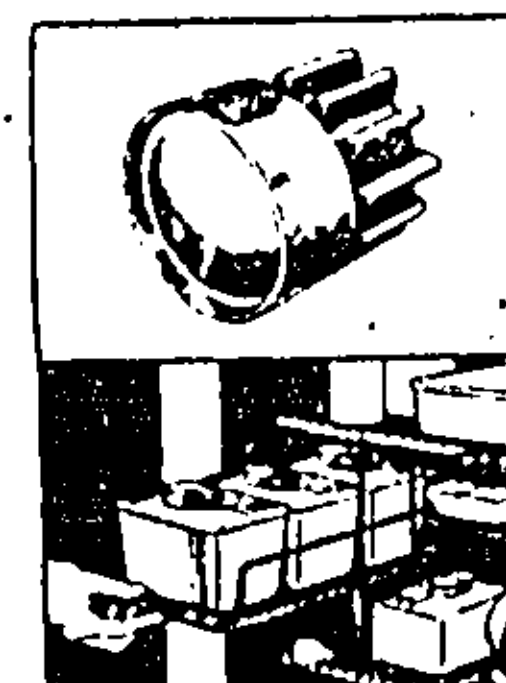
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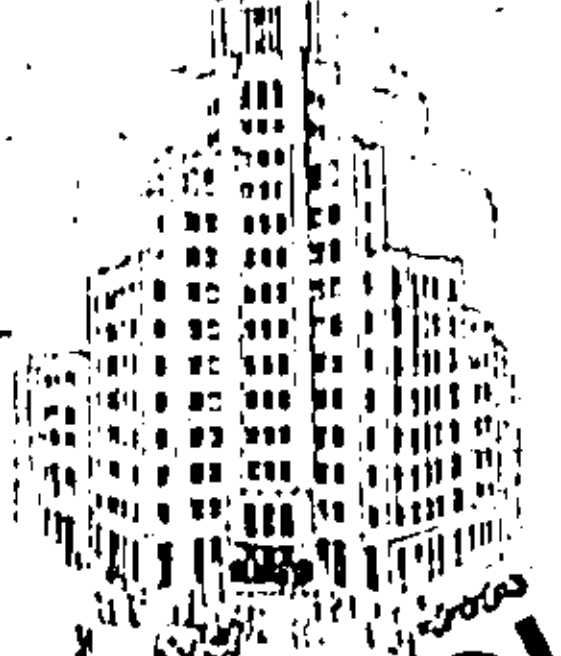
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Placing particular emphasis on footwear "do's" and "don'ts" for the growing-up young lady—"because she needs it most,"—a doctor advises:

If possible select an oxford tie shoe because it holds firmly the back of the foot where it belongs. In choosing a pump, select one built as high over the instep as possible and with a long vamp. Thus you should get more room in the toe and a short heel to hold the foot in place.

Always try out a shoe on the rug at home before deciding whether or not it is suitable. This will give opportunity to tread in greater space and latitude than is possible at the shoe store fitting.

Each time you purchase shoes have your foot measured and for this reason: every manufacturer's last is different and shoe sizes as a result are not uniformly standard.

Wear three and four pairs of shoes alternately. It is good economy and allows for each pair's "drying out" before it is used again. Never let shoes lie in the wardrobe without inserting trees in them to hold their shape.

Pay more for your sport shoes and less for dress footwear since it is the first-type which you will use the most—if you are a typical modern girl and like spring and summer sports.

Guard against switching from one heel to another—an exception being permitted for party footwear—since to do so means you not only change the pull and

"Dogs" is a slang expression for feet, but few women would be as mean to a dog as they are to their own feet. Here are some footnotes for modern Cinderellas.



Going somewhere? Betty Furness, Columbia Star, shows you a two-piece play suit which she finds indispensable for games aboard ship. Besides being comfortable, it is smart, and any two contrasting colours can be used to good advantage. Betty chooses beige and brown.

action of muscles in legs and back but also the tilt of the pelvis.

Don't buy a pair of uncomfortable shoes just because they happen to match your dress. Someone has said that corns and bunions, resulting from the wearing of faulty shoes, are the battle scars of women's vanity.

For those women who are puzzled about the height of the heel they should wear, the doctor suggests a very simple method

of determining it. Set up two piles of cards to the height of the heel you think you can wear comfortably. Rest your heels on the cards, the rest of your foot on the floor. If you feel muscle strain, you are too high. Withdraw cards and keep on testing until the heel height causes no discomfort. That is the extreme limit of heel which you may safely wear.

"Dogs" is a slang expression for feet but few women would be as mean to a dog as they are to their own feet. Incidentally, considering that a person walks 65,000 miles from the cradle to the grave, or equivalent to about two and a half times around the world, his feet certainly deserve all the consideration he can give them.

The foot, being the foundation of the body, may have a serious effect on the whole structure when it collapses. Branching out from the spinal cord, great nerve trunks run down the leg and divide into finer branches reaching all the foot bones or even penetrating between them. If bones are distorted by improper pressure on the foot or if thickened or irritated surfaces are formed on tissues in contact with these bones, the pain and discomfort thus produced may spread through the nerves to almost any organ in the body.

Other branches of the great nerve cable in the spine supply the heart, the stomach and other internal organs. Pain from any source is well known to have powerful influences on the heart-beat. Many tests show that it may have equal power over the action of the stomach or intestines.

Either headache or stomach-ache may be caused in scores of different ways. But one of the things that not infrequently is wrong is some kind of foot ailment, so that the whole body is tired out, irritated and disturbed and pains in distant organs are produced.

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(By VICTOR S. MAMAK.)

Not many years ago, vitamins were entirely unknown, yet they are vital to man's very existence, for a shortage of any of them soon upsets the balance of an otherwise healthy body. Vitamin-D is one of the most interesting of the known vitamins, because it plays an important part in skin health.

Normally, we receive Vitamin-D from a few foods and from sunshine. The supply through food is usually inadequate. So how does sunshine supply Vitamin-D to the body?

The skin contains Ergosterol which, when exposed to ultra-violet light, becomes "activated," or changed in character so that it creates Vitamin-D. Thus sunshine on the skin creates Vitamin-D in the skin and this Vitamin then helps balance the body

health, just as if Vitamin-D had been eaten in Cod Liver Oil.

Science learned to create ultra violet rays with electric lamps, which when applied to the skin, would cure any vitamin shortage. But, in the process of giving light ray treatments, it was also found that the texture of a person's skin was materially improved after these treatments.

It is interesting to note that the principal action of the ultra violet light is to produce Vitamin-D, either in the skin itself or on the skin's surface, by activating any ergosterol that may be present.

So Beauty Specialists reasoned that if the light benefits the skin by creating Vitamin-D in or on the skin surface, Vitamin-D (combined with Vitamin-A) could be put into a cream, with the same beneficial results, and to-day this cream is helping countless women in their search for skin beauty.

"Devil's Island" For Anti-Fascists

THOSE volcanic humps rising out of the Mediterranean which the Duce decided some years ago should be a place of punishment for those whose political opinions were inconvenient to the existing regime of Italy, have as penal settlements a history of horror dating from the days of ancient Rome.

Ponza, which lies north-west of the Bay of Naples, began as a rock of exile for those who dared to criticise the Cæsars, and more recently when a boy dared an attempt at assassination of the Duce at Bologna in 1926, and was promptly lynched by the crowd, the idea of Lipari as a prison for inconvenient political opponents was born in the fascist mind.

I gazed down on Lipari, which has been called the Devil's Island of fascist opponents, from the cabin of an aeroplane and marvelled that men had escaped from this volcanic rock and reached the African coast some 500 miles distant.

It is impossible to discover how many political opponents of fascism have been forced into exile on Lipari. Probably the number reaches 1,000.

For the most part the prisoners are quartered in the low white houses of the island's principal town. A certain amount of liberty is granted them. They may walk the streets of the town and find work, if work exists. A few of these intellectual exiles may actually be seen serving in the cafes, mopping tables and washing plates with that resigned air of men who have come to an end of all things.

The prisoners buy their own food, and eat it when and where they please. In some cases, by special permission, wives and families have come to Lipari to join the prisoners in their exile. An allowance of five liras a day, approximately 1s. 6d., is permitted each prisoner. For the rest, they must eke out their existence as best they can. A few have set up as cobblers on the island.

The exiles welcome the new arrivals and see that they do not starve. Four or five men club together and form a musketeer alliance, which carries them through the bad times. There are a few rich men exiles who are ready at all times to help the poorest.

These rich exiles live in comfortable villas perched above the town. The roll call of such prisoners includes such men as Signor Torrigliani, the leader of the Freemasons in Italy, and among the first to earn the enmity of the fascists, and also General Benicivengra, who was chief of staff to General Diaz. There is, in addition, Signor Riccardo Gualino, former millionaire and controller of 80,000 workers.

Men are taken to the island shackled. They have to adjust themselves to a climate that takes a heavy toll on their lives. Lipari is well named "the home of the winds." There are biting blasts combined with heavy rains that have caused consumption to be rife among the prisoners. Medical attendance is sparse. Dirt and disease flourish during the

The Lipari Islands are dreaded in Italy. Opponents of Mussolini are sent there, where they spend their lives in waiting for liberty which never comes. During the last ten years only three men escaped.



Visitors to the New York World's Fair will be able to take home a novel souvenir of their visit. It is best described as the overall guide-book, shown above. Printed on the material of the overall by photolitho process are dozens of photographs introducing New York's most famous landmarks and points of interest. (Copyright, Fox).

hot months. There is only one bath-tub on the island, a marvellous affair of painted tin belonging to a former naturalised American who, on returning to Lipari, his birthplace, was elected president of the local fascists.

For the rest, there is the sea in which to bathe. But the exile who wades into the surf is carefully watched. Even three escapes are three too many. A man who shows too much zest for swimming can be curbed in several ways. So the majority of the exiles have perforce to accept the situation. They try to keep their minds active by lectures and amateur play societies among themselves. A few act as teachers to the little colony of children, some 150 having been born among the prisoners. At the same time there are always outside teachers eager to impart the principles of fascism to any exile who shows signs of weakening. Mussolini's portrait frowns down upon them from every corner. A few of the prisoners have proved themselves renegades. Their acceptance of the fascist faith is received in silence by the others. Their departure back to the mainland is soon arranged. For the most part, however, the exiles remain firm.

In this penal settlement there have been at least eight or ten ex-members of the Chamber of Deputies, several former Cabinet Ministers, one or two former generals, and a host of writers and political journalists. Each day they answer the roll call, the one duty which the fascist guards insist upon inexorably.

Some of these prisoners have been released under a general amnesty, others have been transferred to the less picturesque is-

land of Ponza, while the remainder are still closely guarded and prevented from escape. It is not considered good for Italy's foreign policy that the story of Lipari should be told outside.

An almost complete and elaborate system of defence against escape exists at Lipari and neighbouring islands. During the day, the fascist jailers are constantly on the alert. During the night the vigilance is doubled. Fast, small warships cruise about the islands. At intervals their searchlights split the darkness and travel slowly over the rocky coast. The harbour of Lipari is well lighted, and it is claimed that even a rat could not now escape from the island. Moreover, among the exiles themselves are many who are paid to listen, the stool-pigeons and agents provocateurs who can assimilate any plans for escape, and convey them quickly to the authorities.

For those who are caught in any plot the fascist guards have a form of punishment, refined in its cruelty, which is called "The Cross of St. Anthony." The unfortunate culprit is trussed in the most acute, aching-muscle manner, and left for many hours at a time. Rifle-buffs are used by the guards on those exiles who are found outside their quarters after sunset. There is a strict rule that no prisoner shall leave his quarters between sunset and sunrise. And periodically the guards raid the huts of the exiles, seeking details of some plot that is said to be hatching, brutally belabouring and lashing the men who refuse to tell. Then in a drunken, hilarious spirit the guards will insist upon the exiles singing the fascist hymn *Giovinezza*, or giving the fascist salute to a portrait of Mussolini that is set before them.

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FIVE MINUTE VACATIONS



This is no dress parade. The two girls shown above belong to a team of expert rifle shooters of Downe House School, Berks. The girls take part in various competitions during the season, including Bisley, and in the above photograph are shown on their way to practice. (Copyright, Fox).

Here are six ways to take a little vacation on the spur of the moment. You can select types suited to your convenience and temperament.

MOST people try to crowd their vacationing into a couple of weeks each year. To keep physically and mentally fit and to prevent nerves from growing taut, a person should get away from it all several times a day. Occasional escapes from the problems of earning a living will not accomplish much. To do any good, these flights from reality must be frequent.

For many years I have been able to accomplish this by taking Five Minute Vacations several times a day. They can be taken without expense or preparation. One can improvise his Five Minute Vacations to suit his convenience, and can change them from time to time, as his mood may fluctuate.

Here are a few of my favorite methods of departing briefly from the work-a-day world:

Five Minute Vacation No. 1
Many of us like the country because it enables us to rest our eyes on pleasant rural vistas, flowers, trees, fields, pastures, growing grain, quiet gardens. The city offers a similar opportunity. In the larger communities, in almost every block, there will be found as fine a garden as is ever seen in the country—flower store window displays. Going from one appointment to another, I frequently stop for a few minutes before a flower shop, and there feast my soul, oblivious to the parade of commerce passing behind me.

Five Minute Vacation No. 2
Another means of forgetting my troubles is to take a stroll around the block. It does not make any difference which block. The one where you happen to be at the moment you decide to take a five minute vacation will do. I take this particular vacation several times a week, and nearly always it yields an interesting adventure.

I have seen detectives shadowing suspicious houses. I have been amused by children at play and entertained by the antics of street vendors. I have participated in the chase of pickpockets and have hot-footed it after fire engines. Even though a stroll produces no adventure, at least it furnishes pleasant relaxation and a chance to cultivate one's powers of observation.

Five Minute Vacation No. 3
There is no better way to get away from one's self momentarily than to drop into a church. In these solemn, unworldly edifices, one can find peace, quiet, consolation, and complete forgetfulness from business cares.

Five Minute Vacation No. 4
A pleasant breathing spell in a strenuous day can be had by sitting in a hotel lobby. The close observer will soon lose sight of his own troubles by becoming absorbed in the romance and the mystery and the intrigue that seems to be developing before him. Who is that distinguished man who has just come in? What are those two men up to who are talking so low and so guardedly? Why is that girl watching the entrance so anxiously? Why does that man keep looking behind him as he advances through the lobby? Why is that woman tip-toeing? What is in the note that that girl

stealthily handed her young companion?

Five Minute Vacation No. 5
An effective way to find a few moments of relaxation is to saunter through an art gallery. A person does not have to know a thing about art to enjoy such a visit. He is sure to find a picture that will interest him, because of its colour or its originality or its exquisiteness or because of the story it tells or the message it delivers.

Five Minute Vacation No. 6
My work takes me daily into many skyscraper office buildings. This gives me an opportunity to indulge in one of my most delightful brief vacations. The views that can be had from the upper floors of these buildings are panoramic. On a clear day it is possible to see for great distances. And on cloudy, misty days the views, though entirely different, are just as interesting. I take a couple of these vacations a day and have taken hundreds of them in the last few years, and yet each time I see something that I had not seen before.

The five minute vacations that I have described are merely typical of the scores that I actually take. Every week I originate new ones. The greatest value of this system of getting recreation is that anyone can take a little vacation on the spur of the moment, and can select types suited to his convenience and his temperament.

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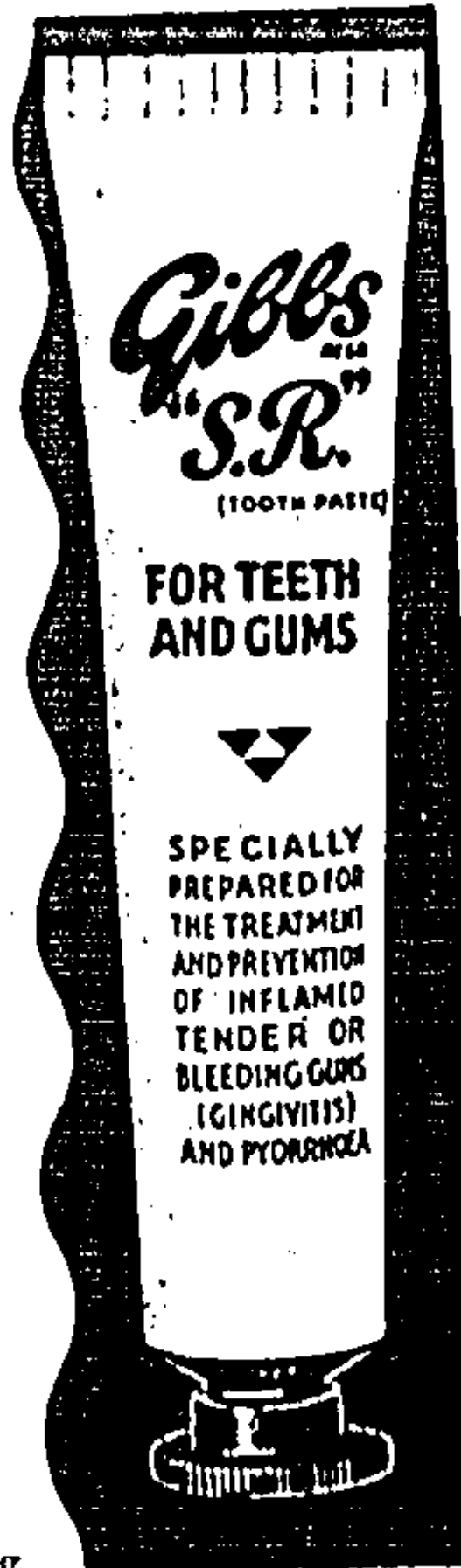
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INDIANA, Indianapolis. If your child refuses spinach, Dr. T. B. Rice of the Indiana University School of Medicine advises you to feed the spinach to the cow and let the child drink the milk. Don't ask us what to do if you haven't got a cow.

PUERTO RICO, San Juan. In a test case six directors of the Puerto Rico Maternal and Child Health Association were indicted for violation of an 1873 Federal statute forbidding the sale, loan or gift of contraceptives. The doctors had decided that motherhood would be a menace to certain tubercular and syphilitic cases.

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WHAT IS A KISS?

WHEN a man kisses a woman against her will she is fully entitled to bite his nose, if she so pleases.

With these words an English judge dismissed an action brought by Thomas Saverland against Caroline Newton. Thomas had stolen a kiss from Caroline. But Caroline was a quick thinker, and acted just as quickly. Before Thomas had time to enjoy his stolen embrace his nose was firmly gripped by the indignant girl's strong white teeth.

Thomas thought he was entitled to damages for this assault, which had cost him his good looks. The judge thought differently. All of which happened some time ago, but a kiss forced on a girl is still an assault. In America, particularly, the impulsive kisser would do well to be doubly cautious. In some States kissing is condemned as unhygienic by unromantic legislators, is an offence.

To-day a kiss is considered a caress, a mark of affection. This was not so once. In its earliest days it was used only as a token of greeting, a mere handshake in effect, or as an act of homage given on meeting.

As a promiscuous kisser, Thomas Saverland was a few hundred years late. Even as late

Noah Webster says a kiss is "a touch or caress with the lips; a gentle touch or contact; a sweetmeat made of beaten egg whites and sugar . . . in case you want to know."

as the sixteenth century he might have claimed that he was merely saluting the lady. In those blithe days the kiss was everywhere an accepted form of greeting. A visitor entering his host's house would kiss the whole family as a matter of course, and might even extend his salutations to household pets!

Erasmus, the great Dutch philosopher, was astonished at the writer of kissing in which he became involved when he paid a visit to England.

In the past kissing the foot was a common form of paying homage. And august persons were not always overkeen to sink their dignity by making such an abject posture before their superiors.

When Rollo, a great Viking warrior, had to pay homage to his feudal lord, King Charles the Simple, he had rooted objections to the procedure. He thought nothing of kissing the king's feet, but he did not like bowing down before his liege lord to do so. Rollo took a characteristic way out. Seizing the king's feet, he

lifted them to the level of his mouth and kissed them, the unfortunate monarch falling heavily on his back! But Rollo had paid homage and Charles had no mind to quarrel with the powerful Viking about details.

To-day homage is still paid with kisses, as for instance to British kings during the coronation service, and when ministers are required to kiss the sovereign's hand on taking office. But ninety-nine times out of a hundred a kiss nowadays is a mark of affection and love. Its use in this way is comparatively modern. But there have been—and still are—other ways of showing affection, even among the lower animals.

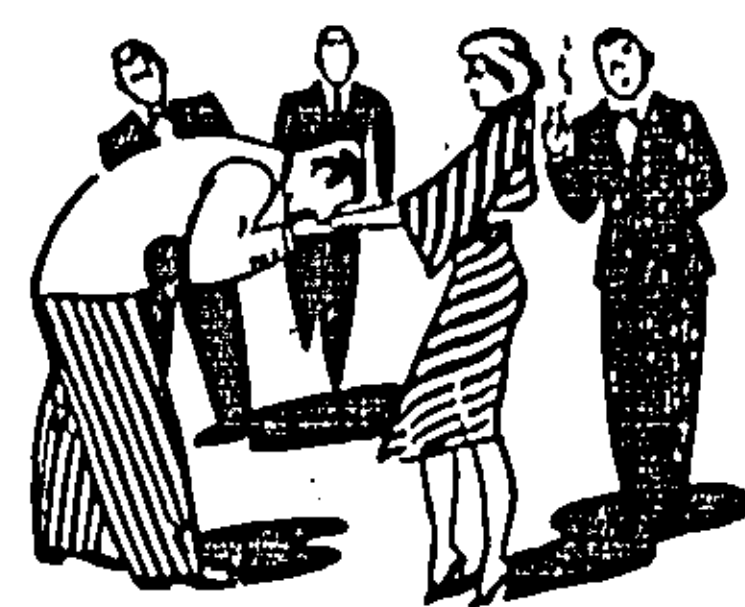
Cats rub noses. The dog's lick of affection is his kiss. Birds plant marks of love with their beaks. Even the humble snail kisses with the help of his antennae. Among human beings, Burmese and Samoan folk convey affection by sniffing. Maoris, Polynesians, Malaysians, Eskimos, and some negro races rub noses, sometimes accompanying them with satisfied grunts.

From the start Europe was the home of the kiss of love and even to-day it is mainly confined to the white races. The French took to kissing most readily. It is claimed that King Louis XII succeeded in kissing every woman in Normandy! And sixteenth century etiquette allowed any man with three lackeys in his service to kiss all but the mightiest women in France.

The death-rate in France does not appear to be much higher than elsewhere. Yet it should be, with all this kissing, if the warning issued recently by an American scientist is justified. He startled, but did not deter, the world by stating that each kiss takes a year off our normal span of life! Most of us must be in our graves without knowing it.

The only evidence I can find for this tall story is the fact that

two Romans, Cornelius Gallus and Titus Materius, died while greeting their wives with a kiss on the hand. But history does not tell us what the wives were like.



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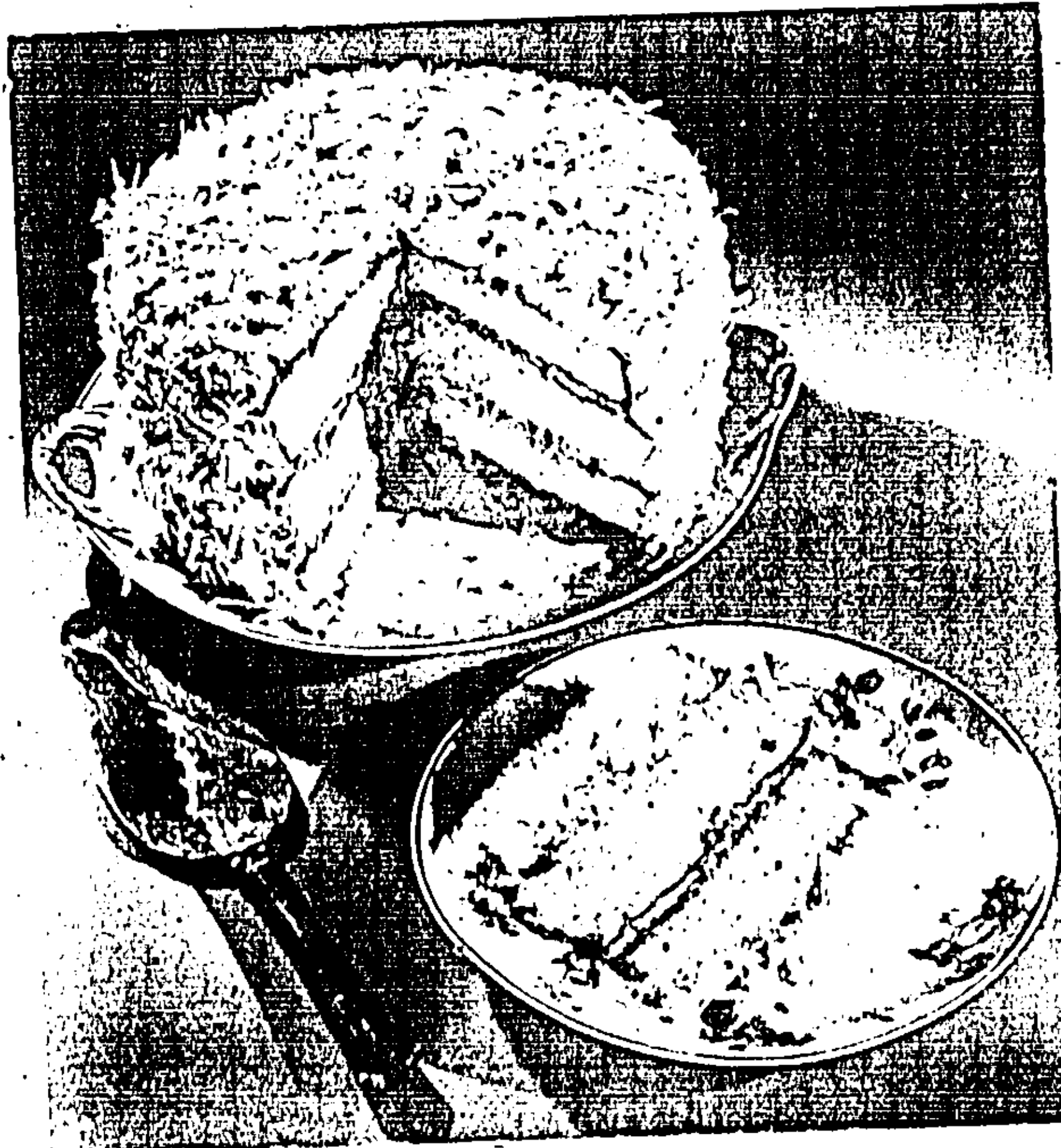


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1/4 teaspoon salt Milk and
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2 cups sugar mixed
1 teaspoon vanilla

Sift flour, then measure. Resift with baking powder and salt. Cream shortening. Add sugar slowly and continue creaming until smooth and fluffy. Add egg yolks and beat well. And flour mixture alternately with diluted milk, beginning and ending with flour. Add flavouring. Cut and fold in the stiffly beaten egg

whites. Pour immediately into greased cake pans. Bake in a moderate oven (375° F.) for 25 minutes. Yield: 3 eight-inch layers.

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1/4 cup Carnation cocoanut
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Add milk and vanilla to confec- tioners sugar and beat until smooth and creamy. Spread frosting between layers and on top and sides of cake. Sprinkle thickly with cocoanut. Yield: Sufficient for 3 eight-inch layers.

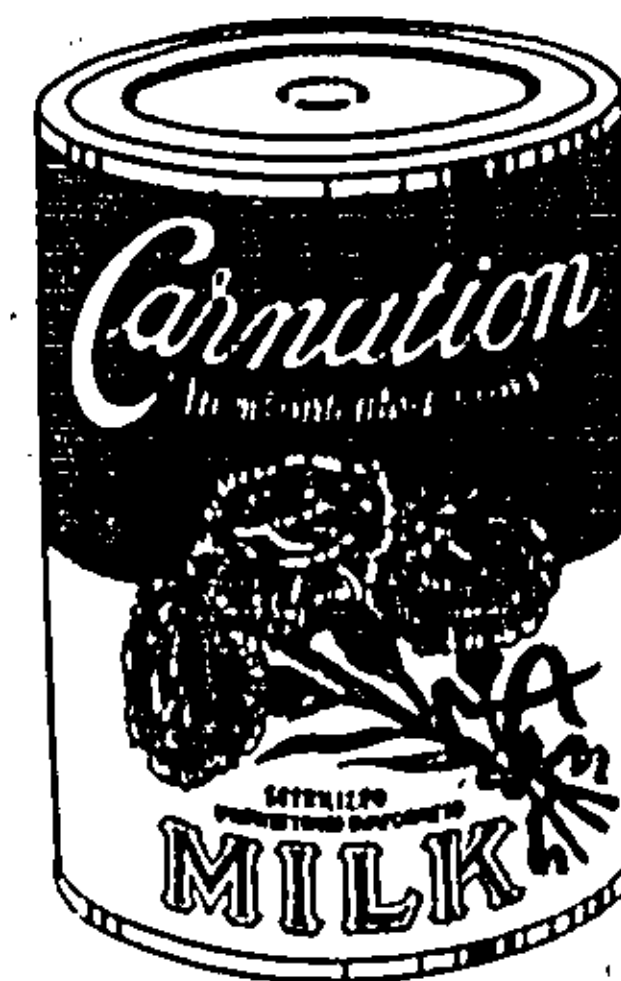
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THE WORLD—IN LIGHTER VEIN



"Before marrying you I want to know whether you are an Aryan."
—Paris Mide.

DADDY'S LULLABY

IT was time for "baby girl" to be in bed, but no amount of coaxing could get her there. At last her father offered to lie on the bed till she went to sleep. Off the child went with her father, and the tired mother leaned back in her chair with a sigh of content, ready for a hard-earned rest.

Ten minutes, twenty minutes, half an hour; and she was wondering when her husband would be down when all at once she heard a soft, stealthy pit-a-pat. Nearer came the steps and then a little white-robed form with a tiny finger on her lip stood in the doorway.

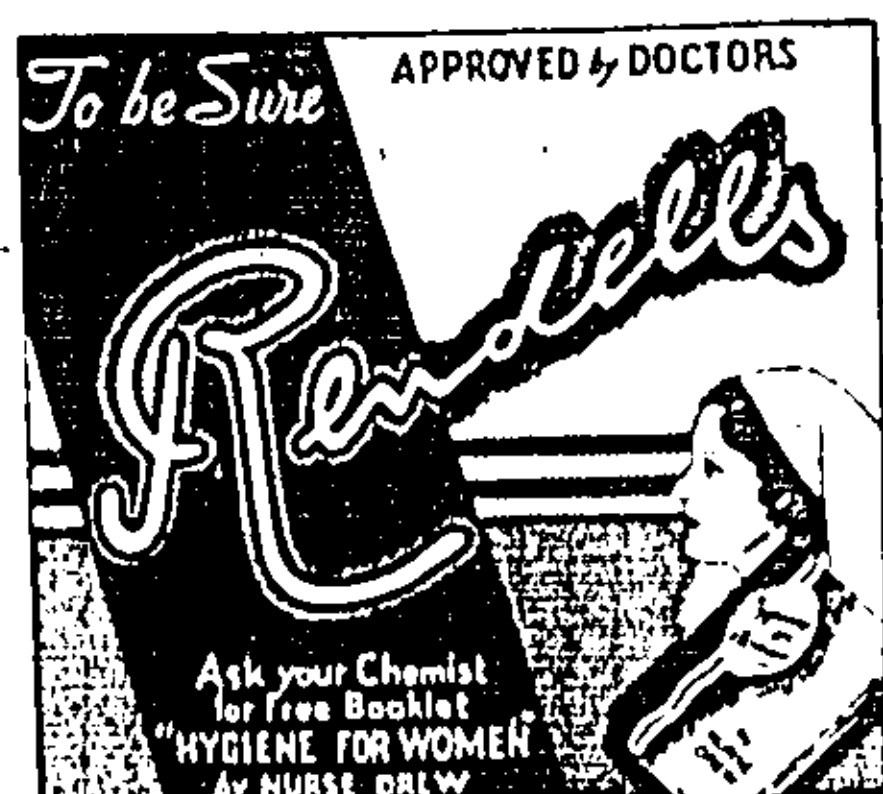
"Hush, hush, Mummy," she said, "I've got Daddy to sleep."
—Christian Science Monitor.

RIGHT THE FIRST TIME

A factory inspector authenticates the following inter-departmental notes which were sent recently in a Government office, some days elapsing between messages:

1. Memo from A to B—Has nothing been done about this?
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3. Memo from A to B—What?
4. Memo from B to A—Nothing.

Glasgow Citizen.



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"When I went to the dentist's yesterday I had a great pleasure."
"Pleasure at the dentist's?"
"Yes. He was sitting in the chair and his assistant was drawing one of his teeth."
—Kurdle.

A GOOD START

Choirboy (to vicar): "The choir is organising a cricket team, sir, and we wondered if you would lend us the bats which the vergar says you have in the belfry."
—Australian Women's Weekly.

CHEERFULLY

"Won't you subscribe five shilling towards the funeral expenses of our saxophone player?"
"Rather! Here's thirty—bury the whole band."
—Mazda Graphic.

VERY INCONSIDERATE

"My wife threatens to leave me unless I give up playing golf."
"That's serious."
"Yes, I shall miss her."
—Australian Women's Weekly.

A BARE HOPE

Junior was in the habit of coming to the table with dirty face and, of course, had to be sent away to wash.

One time his mother, nearly losing patience, said: "Junior, why do you persist in coming to the table without washing? You know I always send you away."

"Well," said Junior, meekly, "once you forget."
—Atlanta Two Bills.

A SORROW SHARED

The knut got out of bed at 2 a.m. He threw a robe over his pyjamas and galloped down two flights of stairs to the landlord's apartment.

He rapped sharply. No answer. He knocked again, and again. Finally the door opened. A sleepy-eyed landlord stuck his head out. "Well," he demanded, "What do you want?"

The other took a deep breath. "I just want to inform you," he said, "that I won't be able to pay the rent this month."

The landlord held his head. "Is that why you woke me in the middle of the night?" he howled. "Couldn't you tell me that in the morning?"

The knut nodded. "Certainly," he admitted. "But why should I worry alone?"
—New York Journal.

WHY WORRY?

Father: "No, I won't do your sum for you. It wouldn't be right."

Bobby: "I don't suppose it would, but you might have a try."
—Pasadena Post.



"Alone?"—Mrs. U.S.A.

BETTER STILL

"Could you lend me twopence for the tram?"
"Sorry! I have only half a crown on me."
"Good! Then I can take a taxi!"
—Lustige Blatter.

BANKING PROPOSAL

First Cashier: "So you proposed to Nellie by letter, did you?"
Second Cashier: "Not exactly. You know, she runs the S to Z book. Well, after she sorted her cheques, I slipped a proposal on the back of a blank cheque into the stack."

First Cashier: "Well, what did she do?"

Second Cashier: "She returned it, marked 'Not Sufficient Funds!'"
—Galt Reporter.

HER NUMBER WAS UP

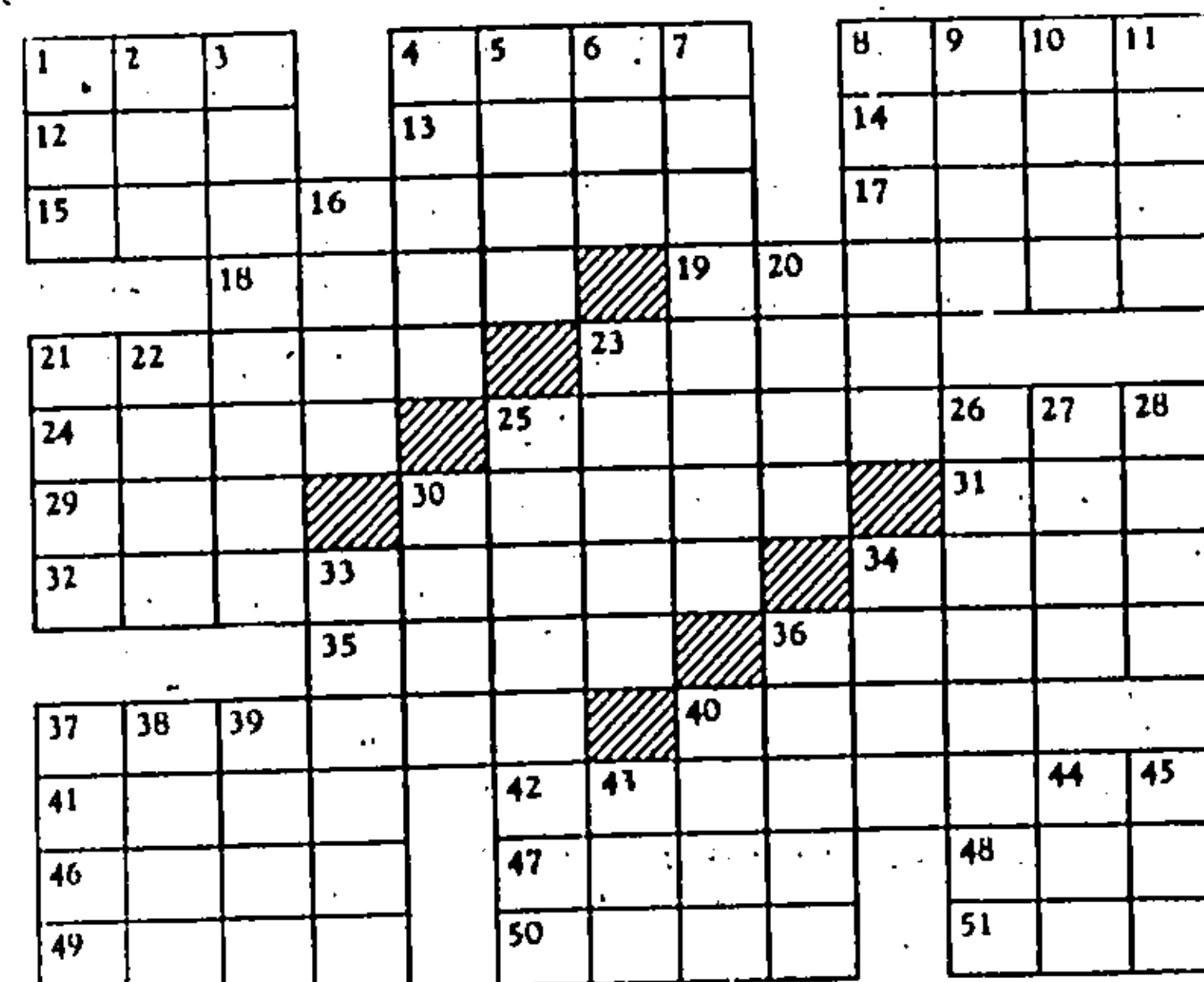
"But Anna, why do you want to leave us?"
"I am getting married, ma'am."
"Really? To whom?"
"To a policeman."
"Oh? And what is his name?"
"I don't know, ma'am, but he is Constable 964."
—Fliegende Blatter.

GALLANT

Lady: "How comes it that a big, strong man like you is begging?"

Tramp: "Madam, it is the only profession that enables a man to speak to a handsome woman without being introduced to her."
—Svenska Dagblad.

SUNDAY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



HORIZONTAL

- 1 Short flight
- 4 Lock
- 8 Pertaining to mouth
- 12 Munner
- 13 Solo
- 14 Cornmeal bread
- 15 Jovial
- 17 Fraction
- 18 Twirl
- 19 Machine for stretching cloth
- 21 To glorify
- 23 Withered
- 24 Obscure song
- 25 Exhibiting
- 29 Siamese coin
- 30 Flows along
- 31 Female ruff
- 32 Fated
- 34 Baby carriage (Eng.)
- 35 War god
- 36 Behaviour
- 37 Wooden container
- 40 Relative
- 41 Seaweed
- 42 To rise

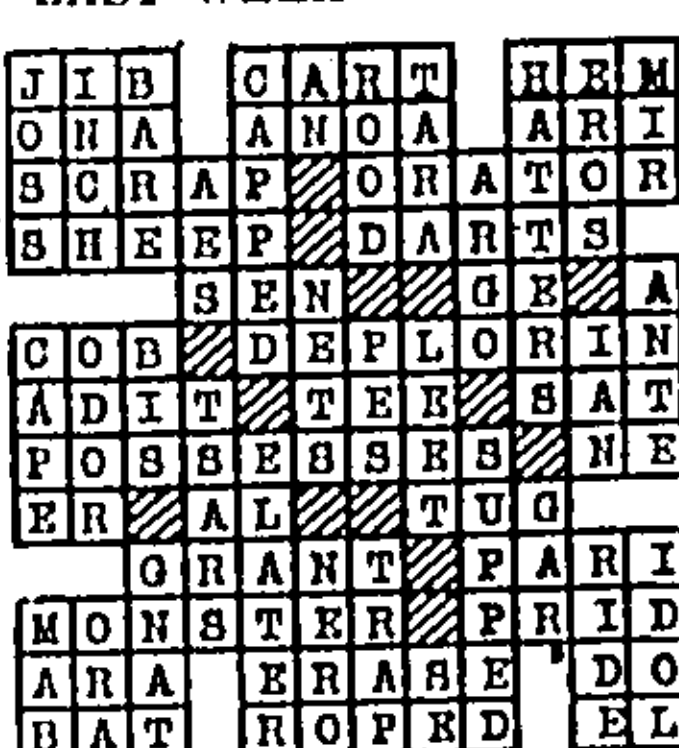
VERTICAL

- 1 Chance
- 2 Liquid
- 3 Donates
- 4 Grounds
- 5 Algerian airport

6 Waterfall

- 7 Ragged
- 8 Thought
- 9 Source
- 10 Poker term
- 11 Legendary king
- 16 Recess
- 20 Periods of time
- 21 Nail
- 22 Stringed instrument
- 23 Retains
- 25 Framed
- 26 To vex
- 27 Orderly
- 28 Stones
- 30 Italian coins
- 33 Smeared with thick, black substance
- 34 Gasp
- 36 Behaviour
- 37 Strong woody fibre
- 38 Exchange
- 39 Amount
- 40 To affirm
- 43 Greek letter
- 44 Hill
- 45 Organ of seeing

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION





Mr. W. R. Roemer, travel representative for The American Express Co., Inc., who arrived in the Colony recently from Calcutta. (Hunn's Studio).



Under the auspices of the Hong Kong Chinese Women's Soldiers Relief Association, four charity performances will be given at the Taiping Theatre commencing June 1st. Two plays are being presented, and the male principals in the cast of "Sable Clouds" are shown above and at right. They are Mr. John W. Yuen, who will portray Tung Chuck, the villain, and Mr. George Lau whose role is Lai Po, the hero.

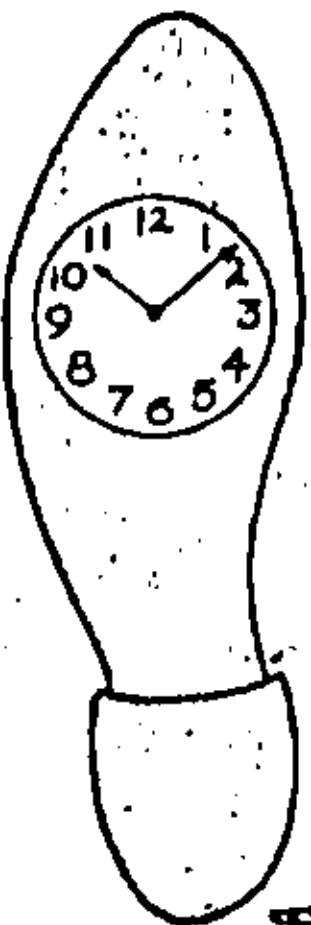


The Misses Lulu Mai Luk and Saline Luk who are appearing in 'The Dream of the Red Chamber', a charity play to be given at the Taiping Theatre on June 2nd and 4th, under the auspices of the Chinese Women's Soldiers Relief Association.

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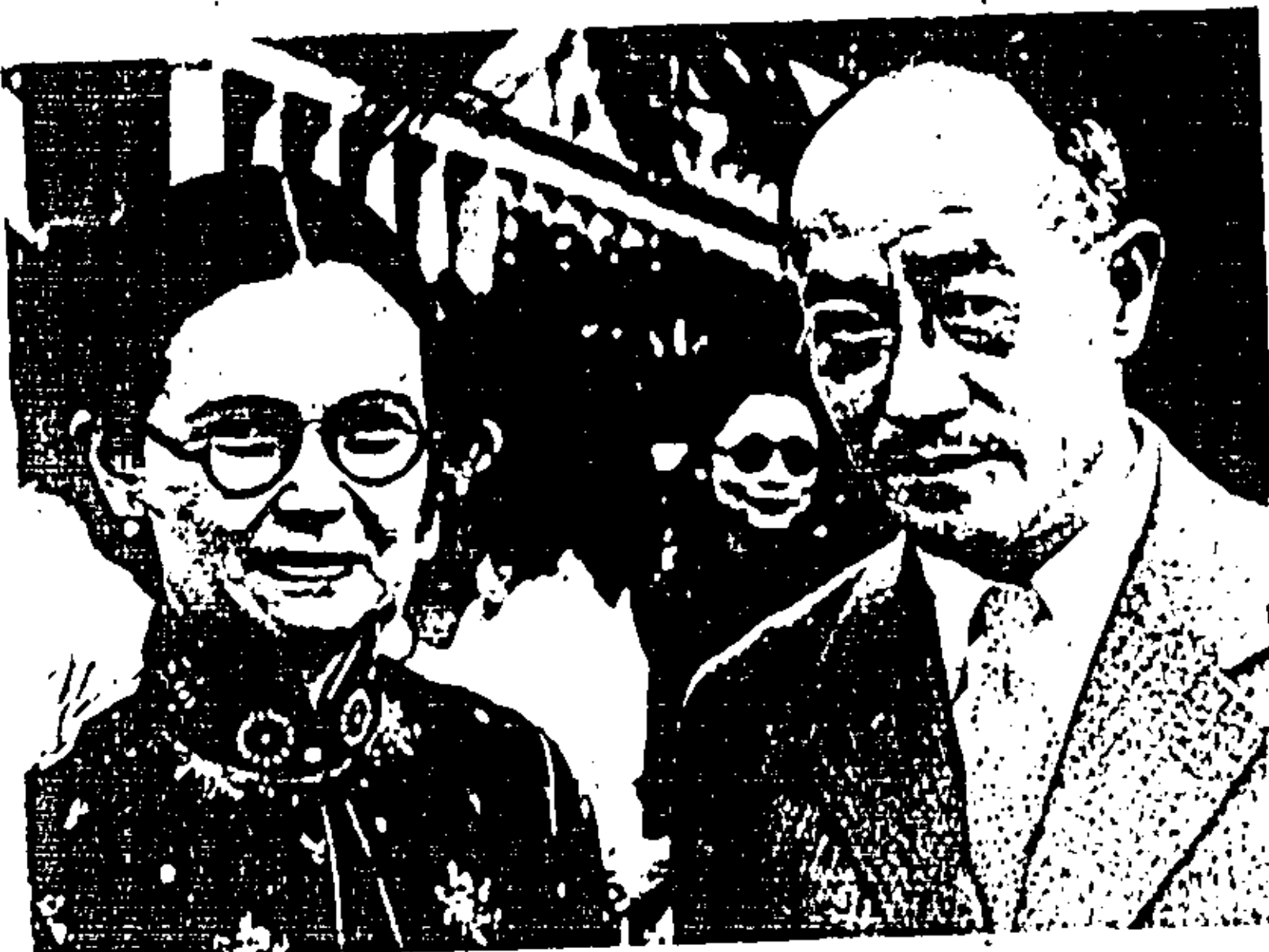
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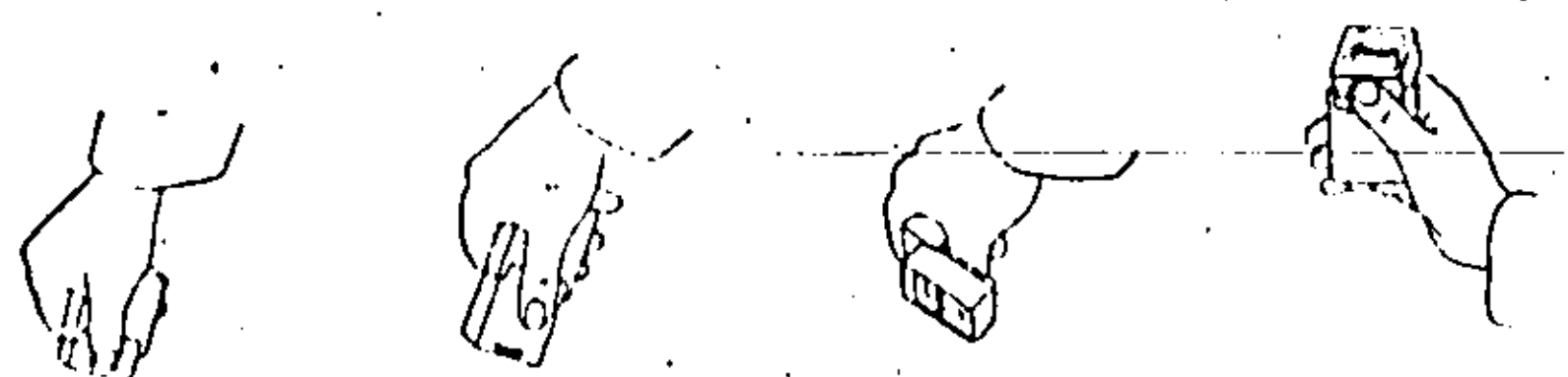
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A streamlined Studebaker ambulance, equipped to hold sixteen stretchers, was donated by the Chinese Women's Club to the National Red Cross Society last Monday. At extreme top is shown the vehicle, and above is Dr. C. T. Wang, President of the Red Cross and late Chinese Ambassador to Washington, who received the key of the ambulance from Mrs. M. K. Lo, President of the Club, seen on his right.

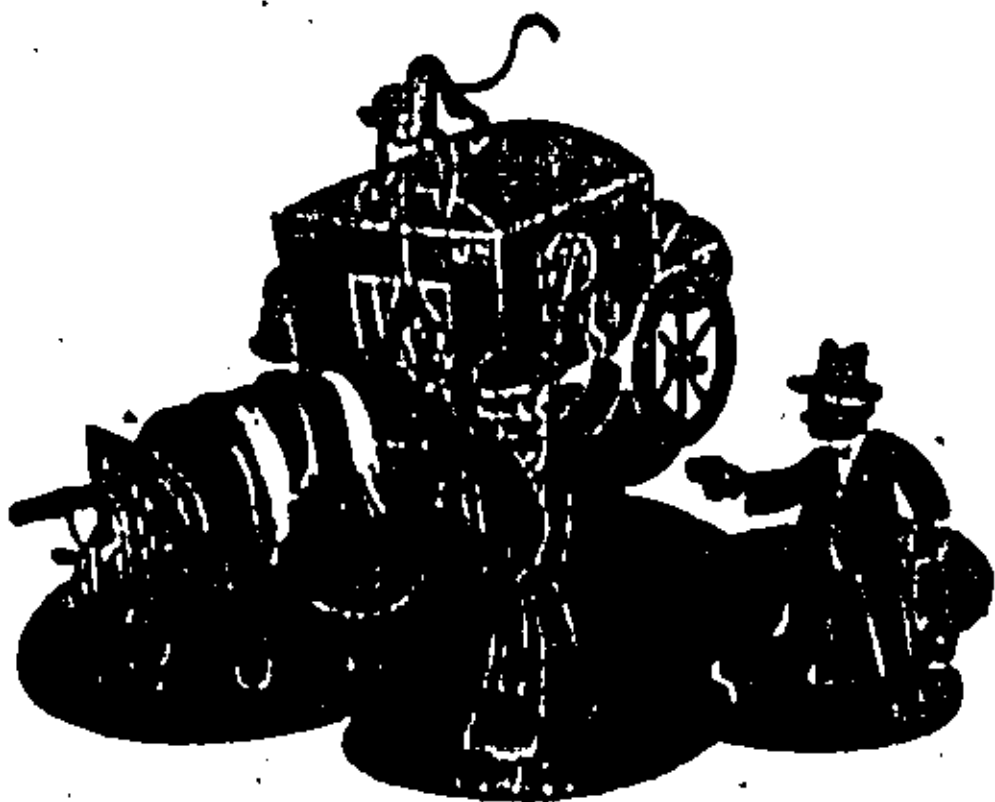


All children assume different attitudes before the camera, and they are interesting to observe. Ross Serim, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Serim, seems to think it a serious business. (Bann's Studio).



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Greig and Erna Wright appear to be quite natural before the camera. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. A. Wright of the Yaumati Police Station. (Bann's Studio).

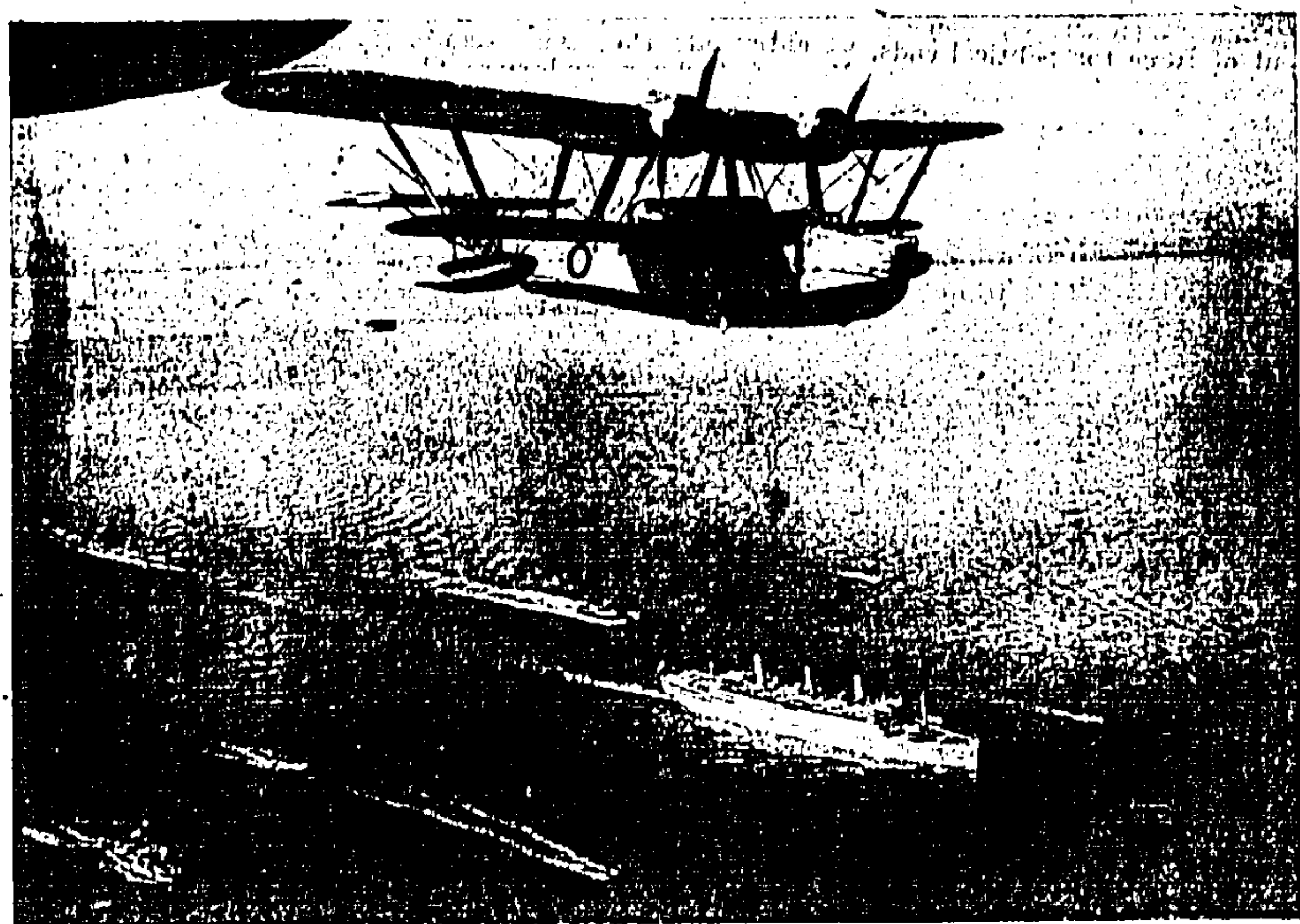
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(Right)—The proper man's attitude toward having his picture taken is adopted by Peter, the son of Captain and Mrs. Lionel McKee. He concentrates on his magazine, and unconsciously provides the camera with an attractive, unposed study. (Bann's Studio).



GOEBBELS EXCELS HIMSELF

Belief In The German God Not The Christian God



A striking aerial view of the "Empress of Australia" with her escort as she steamed out of Portsmouth. H.M.S. Repulse is following in her wake.

Secrets Behind Nazi Plot

London, Yesterday.

The "Daily Telegraph" carries a report from Capetown which says that what purports to be the reason for the special measures taken by the South African Police in South-West Africa is given by a correspondent in the "Star," Johannesburg.

The correspondent states that while there is no evidence whatever that the mass of the German community was implicated, there was a plan by subversive elements to cause a diversion in international affairs.

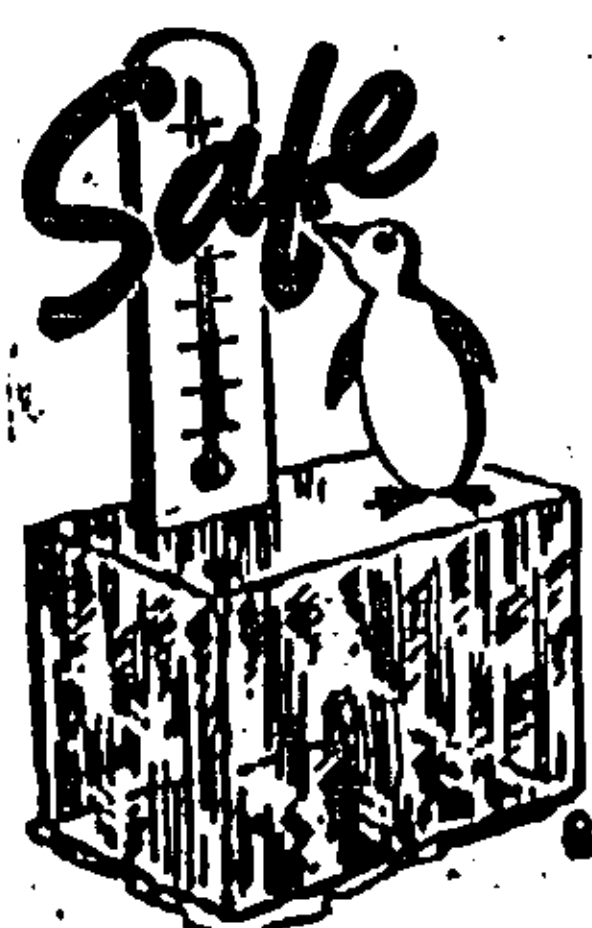
The scheme was to seize the Walvis Bay Radio Station and possibly to destroy it after broadcasting information to confederates throughout the territory.

This would have inflamed widespread attempts at sabotage, possibly precipitating a clash between Britons and Germans and paving the way for an accusation that the Union Government was unable to maintain order.

The arrival of police reinforcements, the correspondent concludes, foiled any subversive acts which may have been planned.—Our Own Correspondent.

ROUNABOUT IN THE STRAND

London, Yesterday.
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Shanghai, Yesterday.

The British authorities have notified that a list of British subjects of both sexes qualified to render service in case of emergency is being compiled.

Anyone interested is invited to apply to the Consulate-General for full particulars.

The notification is a sequel to insertion of a clause in the Military Training Bill in the House of Commons on Wednesday by which British subjects living abroad have to undergo military training.—Reuter.

BIRTHDAY HONOURS PLAN

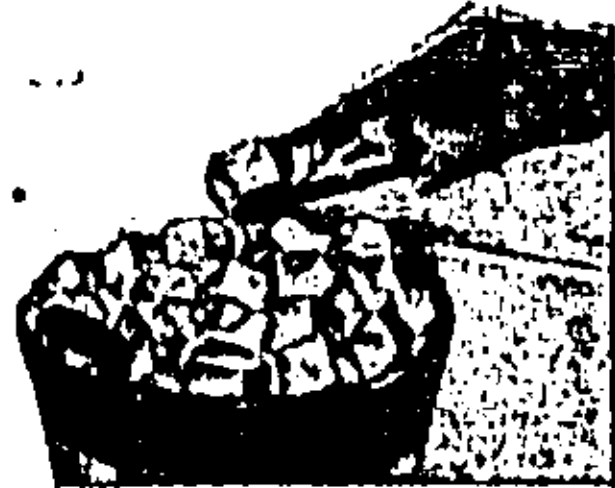
LONDON, YESTERDAY.
"APPREHENSIONS" THAT WITH THE KING ABSENT IN CANADA, THERE WOULD BE NO BIRTHDAY HONOURS LIST THIS YEAR, HAVE BEEN REMOVED.

The bestowal of honours is a matter which cannot constitutionally be delegated by the Sovereign to anyone. The list, therefore, will be forwarded to His Majesty in Canada, for his approval and endorsement.—Our Own Correspondent.

in the Strand at the northern end of the New Waterloo Bridge are to be considered by the L.C.C.
The estimated cost is £2,000.—Our Own Correspondent.

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NAVY'S NEW FIGHTER TO BE PRODUCED ON BIG SCALE

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
THE NEW BLACKBURN-ROE TWO-SEATER FIGHTER MONO-PLANE HAS JUST BEEN RELEASED FROM THE AIR MINISTRY'S "SECRET LIST."

It is to be built, under sub-contract, in large quantities by a Midland firm.

Reason for this is that the Brough (Yorkshire) factory of its designers is already working to capacity on the new Skua dive-bombers for use with the Fleet. Details of the Roe and Skua are still secret, but it can be stated that both are considerably faster and more heavily armed than current Fleet Air Arm planes.—Our Own Correspondent.

INTERNATIONAL HIGHWAY PROPOSAL

LONDON, YESTERDAY.
A LARGE INTERNATIONAL PROJECT IS ABOUT TO BE INVESTIGATED BY A COMMISSION APPOINTED BY THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT.

It is the proposal to build a highway connecting the Pacific States of the United States with Alaska by way of British Columbia and the Yukon Territory.

Linked up with the existing highways it would mean unbroken facilities for communication from South America by the Pacific coast to Alaska.

Great benefits are seen from the undertaking as a means of promoting the tourist traffic, but it would also be of large strategic value in time of war.—Our Own Correspondent.

CLYDE SHIPPING ORDERS

London, Yesterday.
More than twenty new merchant ships were ordered in Clyde yards during April, while other

"Working For This World Not The Next"

Berlin, Yesterday.

"We prefer rather to believe in the German God and not the Christian God.

"We are not working for the next world, but for this. We believe in force to get what we want."

These are among the more pungent passages in another remarkable article by Dr. Goebbels, appearing in the "Voelkischer Beobachter" in which he makes a sharp attack on the "encirclers."

He reaffirms the belief that there is no problem in Europe which need lead to war and contends that the Danzig question would have been solved already if the Western Powers had not intervened.

The Fuehrer desires peace, writes Dr. Goebbels, but he wants peace in which Germany's vital rights are guarded and respected. If the encirclers succeed after all, we will know where to look for the culprits.

HEADS AGAINST GRANITE
For the rest, adds Dr. Goebbels, the London encirclers will be knocking their heads against granite in seeking to attack Germany. They hate Germany because they fear that Germany stands in their way.

Germany's colonial possessions were taken away not for the sake of achieving this or that advantage but in the pursuit of the capitalistic principle.

The encirclers are content to know that they own these colonies and Germany lacks them. They oppress other countries and continents, plunder defenceless peoples of all they possess. Their entire riches are the result of an unscrupulous and dishonest marauding. And on Sunday they go to church and pray.

DANZIG QUESTION
Dr. Goebbels on the Danzig question, recalls that Colonel Beck admitted that Danzig is German, and reiterated that if the peace-makers of London, Paris and Washington had not intervened, the question of Danzig and of an extraterritorial connection between the Reich and East Prussia would have been settled.

KILLED BROTHER AT HIS REQUEST

London, Yesterday.

A majority verdict of manslaughter was accepted against Alfred, a 15-year-old Akwalo Indian, charged with murdering Jonah, the tribe's medicine man, at Ikemoku, hundreds of miles from civilisation.

The defence established that Alfred killed Jonah only in obedience to his elder brother's death-bed wish, which aboriginal folklore experts said Indians must fulfil or be cast out of the tribe.

Judge Langley, sending Alfred back to the forest under a two-year bond, said he would suggest a clarification of the law, since it had been previously held that all verdicts in murder cases must be unanimous, even when reduced to manslaughter.—Our Own Correspondent.

M.T.B. DOES A RECORD TRIP

London, Yesterday.

A new type of British motor-torpedo-boat has made the fastest sea crossing of the Channel on record.

The M.T.B. travelled from the Needles to Cherbourg, averaging 42 knots over the whole distance.—Reuter.

orders are pending.

In addition, 13 Admiralty orders for various types of ships were placed. The summer outlook for the industry has been completely changed.—Our Own Correspondent.

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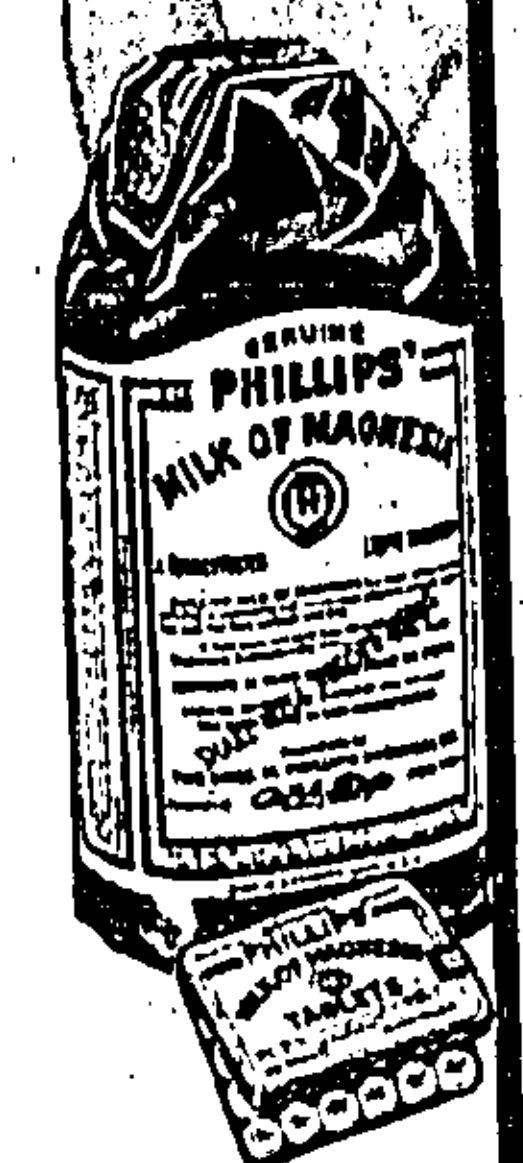


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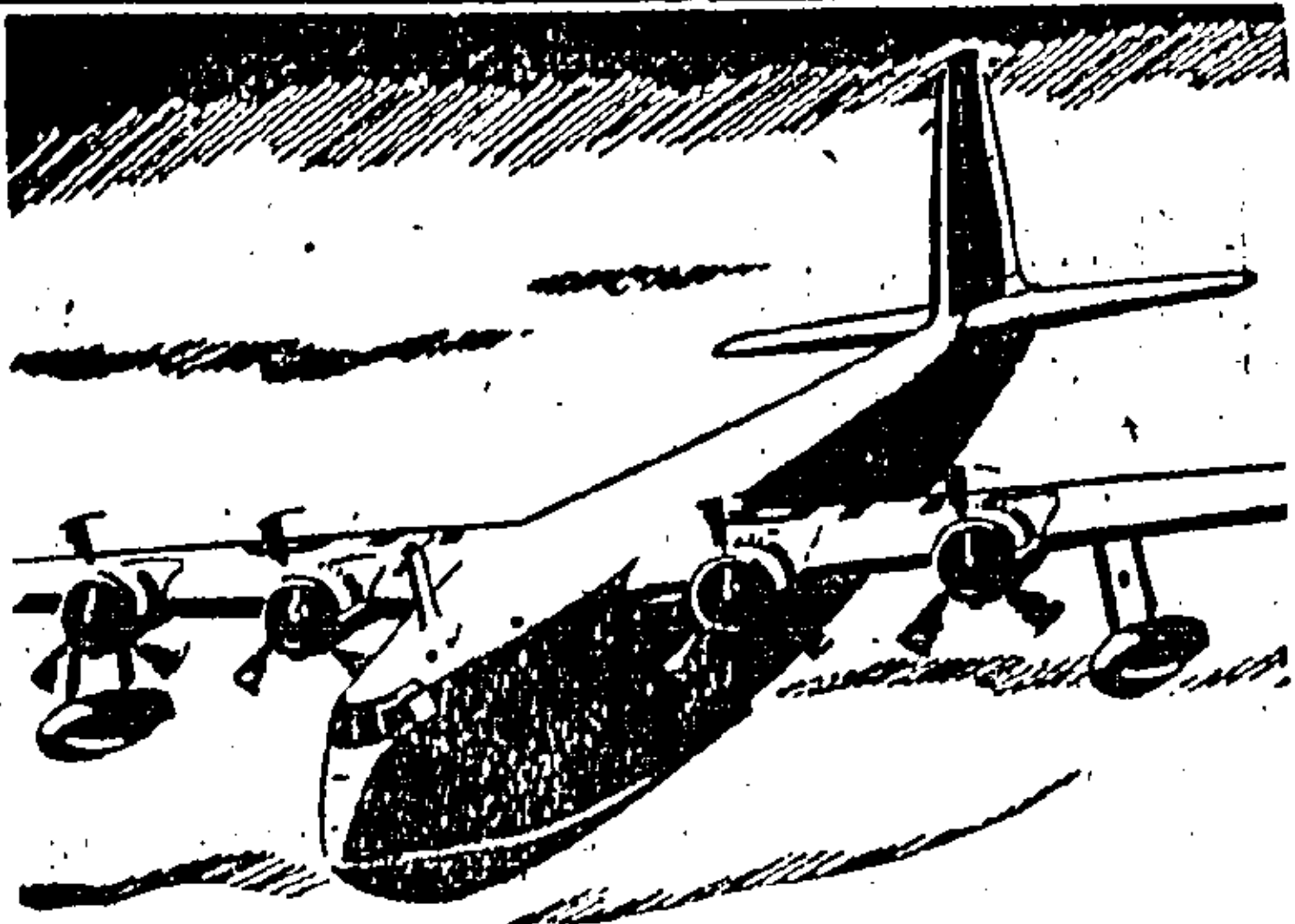
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H.R.H. The Duke of Kent attended the Ball at the Dorchester Hotel, on May 2, in aid of London's Dockland Settlements. Photo shows the Duke trying to win a bottle of wine at the hoop-la stall in the "Bootleggers' Den". With him is Lady O'Neill, in charge of stand.

JUTLAND PROGRAMME

London, Yesterday. The special programme which the B.B.C. is preparing to commemorate the anniversary of the Battle of Jutland on May 31, is dedicated to both the British and the German dead.

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BANKS READY TO MOVE OUT

London, Yesterday. The "Evening Standard" says that London's joint stock banks have been discussing in collaboration the measures to be taken in case of war.

Plans have been completed for removing the more permanent and vital records of the banks into the country.

The Westminster Bank, for instance, have taken the house of the Dowager Lady Abingdon, Oaken Holt, near Oxford.—Our Own Correspondent.

GERMANY TURNING OUT 1,200 PLANES EVERY MONTH

London, Yesterday. According to the German Air Minister, the Reich's monthly output of aeroplanes has now reached about 1,200. This represents a doubling of production since July last year.

Goering puts Germany's first air-line strength at about 300 squadrons, each of nine 'planes, and each with six more 'planes in reserve. Of the 300 squadrons about 170 are bomber units.

In addition to its 4,500 to 5,000 first line strength Germany also disposes of an equal number of reserve planes, of which the parts are already complete but need to be assembled.

The man-power of the German air army has been increased in proportion and is given by Field Marshal Goering as 350,000—this including all formations of a modern air army.—Our Own Correspondent.

AXIS RUNNING INTO OBSTACLES

London, Yesterday. "L'Ere Nouvelle," Paris, says that trade negotiations between National Spain, on the one hand, and Italian and German representatives on the other, have made no appreciable progress.

The reason for this is General Franco's uncompromising opposition to the granting of the long-term concessions demanded by Rome and Berlin.

Another obstacle in the way of agreement is Franco's insistence that all companies registered under the Spanish law must have a majority of Spaniards on their board.—Our Own Correspondent.

NEW APPEAL BY ROOSEVELT?

London, Yesterday. Possibility of President Roosevelt making a new diplomatic appeal to Europe for peace, in which the twenty-one American Republics would concur, is mentioned by official sources in Washington.

It is stated that a plan was discussed with the Latin-American States even before the President sent the message to Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini on April 16.—Our Own Correspondent.

Anticipate Expulsion Orders

London, Yesterday. MANY Nazi agents are reported to be packing up to go without waiting for an expulsion order to be made against them. By doing this they hope to avoid the black cross being stamped on their passports. The cross means that they are on the black list at all ports and will not be allowed to land in this country again.

Instructions ordering these people to leave until the wave of anti-Nazi propaganda ceases have been secretly sent over from Germany. Special Branch officers, some whose linguistic abilities are good, have been carefully keeping an eye on a person suspected of political activities in a well-known London hotel.

Important notes on the people who are meeting there have been obtained and passed on to headquarters at Scotland Yard.

One officer has been detailed to co-ordinate the reports before they are sent for final check by the Home Department of the Home Office.

It is understood that many of the people who have left the country will not be allowed re-entry. Many complaints of a serious character have been handed to the police by refugees from Germany.

PRESS COUNCIL PROPOSAL

London, Yesterday. It is now revealed that General Hertzog's plans for control of the press envisage the establishment of a Press Council to work on lines similar to the Medical Council. Before the Bill is introduced, the Prime Minister is to convene a conference of African editors.—Our Own Correspondent.

LITHUANIANS BOYCOTT MEMEL

London, Yesterday. Lithuanian exporters have decided to boycott Memel and as a result the number of ships entering and leaving the harbour has fallen by four-fifths, according to "Le Jour," Paris.

All goods destined for abroad are now exported via the Latvian port of Liepaja, where a free zone was created for the load and unloading of Lithuanian transit goods.

Memel Nazis are making desperate efforts to win back the Lithuanians' custom.—Our Own Correspondent.



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Seeing Stars

★ I notice that some of you still seem to think that a war may break out at any moment. Yet I have it on the authority of three newspaper astrologists that there cannot be a war this year. The stars are clear on that point.

I am surprised that you have not more faith in the stars. For the stars play an important part in our national life nowadays. An increasing number of people rely on them for advice and information.

Many of you disapprove of this. You call it superstitious, and when you open your morning paper you make sure nobody's looking before you glance at the day's horoscope.

Why, you ask, is astrology becoming so popular? Why is democracy being rapidly replaced by the Dictatorship of the Planetariat?

★ Before explaining this let us review the earthly function of the heavenly bodies.

First, they advise you upon everyday affairs. It is useful, for instance, to learn when you open your paper in the tram on the way to the office on a wet Monday, that it is "Not a good day for work. Entertain. See friends. Travel."

For then you know that although you've got to go to the office the less work you do when you get there the better. The stars can't make mistakes. If they say one morning—"Good for business prospects. Employers will regard you favour-

ably," and that day the boss calls you in and says that if you can't be more careful in future you'll have to get another job, it doesn't mean that the stars were wrong. It only means that if they hadn't backed you up you'd have got the sack on the spot.

★ When it comes to important decisions the stars are even more necessary. Take, for example, this business of choos-



and trine to Scorpio and adverse semi-square to Aquarius rising with progressed Saturn square radical Moon, hope to get an order from a Sagittarian greaser while wearing a green tie and a topaz ring on a Thursday.

★ The popularity of the stars to-day is due, I think, to the fact that in these days of insecurity people want something to rely upon—something that behaves in an orderly manner according to set rules. And

★ by YAFFLE

that is what the stars do and no other form of government ever does.

It goes together with the totalitarian trend of politics. It is the natural accompaniment to the current suspicion that man cannot govern himself and democracy is a mistake.

It is a common saying that the more you study the stars the more helpless you feel. Actually, it is the other way round: The more helpless you feel the more you study the stars.

The old belief that man can be master of his fate and captain of his soul, etc., has given place to the theory that he is the product of his environment, and can no more control his own circumstances than a blanch-mange can design its own mould.

★ The form of civilisation we have chosen, with its dependence on mechanical power and centralised government, has trained us to submit obediently to control by inaccessible, anonymous and impersonal forces.

Even in our homes we prefer electric heating; so that if a fuse blows out ten miles away we sit helpless, with cold feet and a half-cooked dinner, consoled by the knowledge that there is nothing we can do.

Our statesmen, realising their dependence upon inscrutable cosmic forces, confess their inability to control our social and economic life. They admit that even the distribution of existing wealth is determined by forces far beyond human influence. The most they can ever say is, "If trade improves," or "There are signs that trade may improve." They never pretend they can improve it.

Nevertheless, experts prefer to have some rules to go by. Soon our economists will discover that behind the wayward and unpredictable operations of the Trade Cycle lies the orderly process of the Zodiac. And then the Astrological Department will supersede the Exchequer in the direction of the nation's affairs.

And in that day, when the House wants an official statement on the economic situation, the Minister will get up and say something like this:—

"Aries the Ram being the ruling sign of England, there is every hope that with Uranus dominating the Tenth House in Virgo in trine to Neptune angular, there may (allowing three degrees for ascendant and two for quincunx) be a slight rise in commodity prices."

After all, that differs little, in effect, from the sort of thing he says now.

ing a wife. Most of you do this in a careless and haphazard way, probably for the trivial reason that you like the look of her.

This won't do. She must be an Affinity, and only the stars can tell you whether she is or not. Take a simple example. Suppose a man born about the middle of June falls for a girl born about Christmas. It's hopeless from the start.

How can a man born under the sign of Gemini the Twins and ruled by the planet Mercury live harmoniously with a woman born under Capricorn the Goat and ruled by Saturn and Venus? I ask you.

He is forced by his ruling planet to be mercurial, changeable, dual-natured, fond of new experiences, and, unless his other planets are particularly well aspected, tending to fickleness.

She, on the other hand, is obliged whether she likes it or not, to be steadfast, painstaking, lacking in humour, and inclined to look on the gloomy side. She'd never stand for his goings-on. It's nothing against either of them; they can't help themselves.

As Cassius might have said, "The fault, dear Brutus, lies not in ourselves, but in our stars, that we do kick each other."

When I add that she likes dark colours and he prefers pale shades, and that her lucky stones are amethysts and dark blue sapphires, while his are white cornelian and moonstones, you'll see they were simply born to scrap.

Before the honeymoon was over the Goat-lady (Nanny, for short) would be calling the Twin two-faced, and he would be leaning across the breakfast table shouting, "Baa to you!"

★ In addition to the ruling signs, there are the positions of all the other planets to be considered. Suppose a girl wanted to marry a man whose Libra in the ascendant was in opposition to Uranus in her Seventh House—the very aspect which, as any astrologer will tell you, forced Napoleon to divorce Josephine?

She could not hope to avoid tragedy. As well might a commercial traveller, born under Taurus the Bull, with Venus in his Second House in opposition to Neptune in malefic scellio

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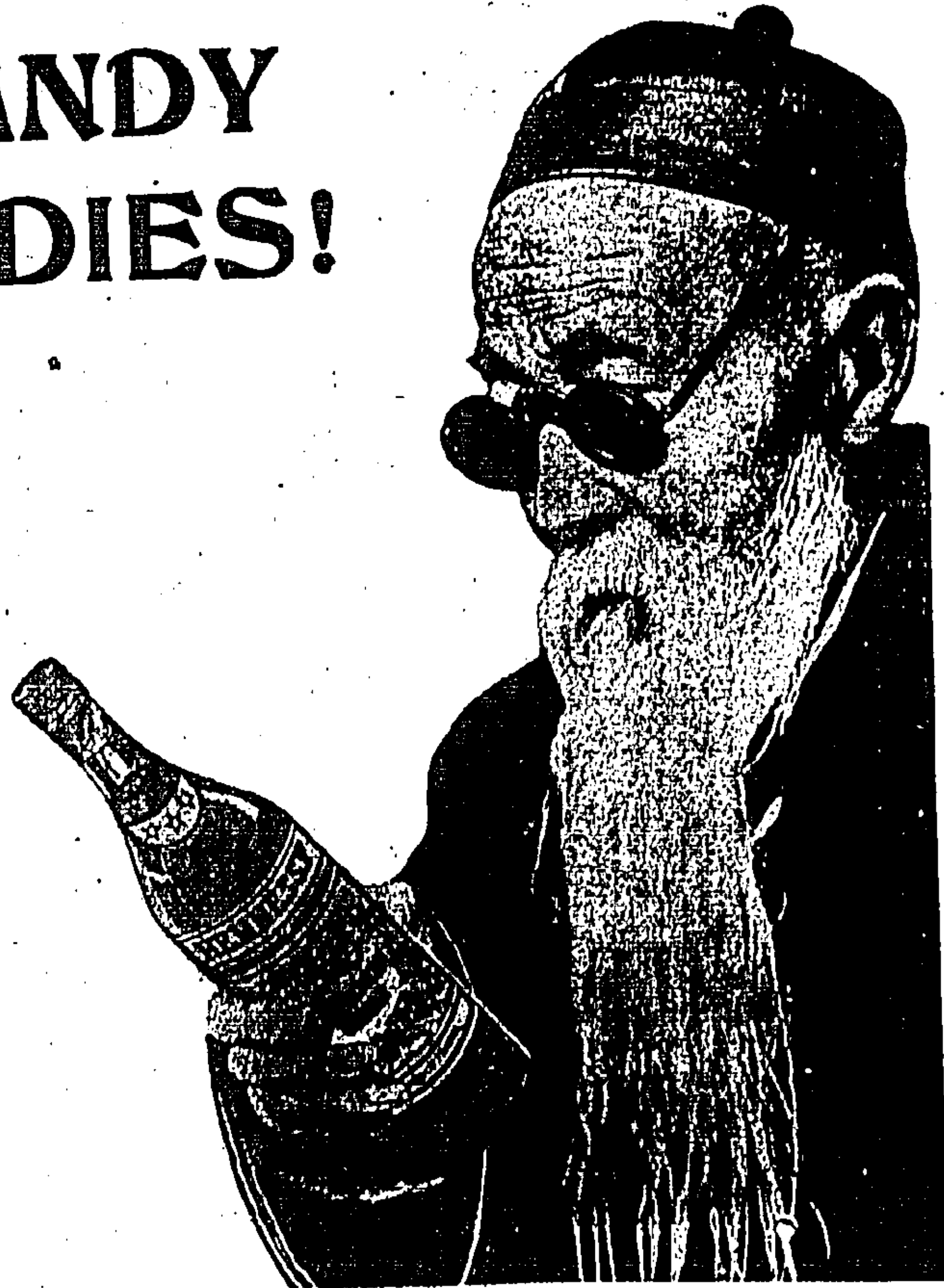
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What Would Be Upshot Of A War In Which Italy Opposed Britain In The Mediterranean?

The Defence Of Egypt

NO one imagines that the problem of defending Egypt from an attack by forces in Libya has been forgotten by His Majesty's Government, but even that body cannot make bricks without straw, and the real question is, have they been able to send out sufficient troops and air-craft to make Egypt safe from invasion? And will it be possible for the British Navy to make use of the fortified harbour of Alexandria in the event of war? If the answer to these questions is "Yes", we need have no fear of the upshot of a war in which Italy is the opponent of Great Britain in the Mediterranean.

By the terms of the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, Great Britain and Egypt, as independent countries, are pledged to become allies in the event of either being at war. Consequently, we may consider the Egyptian and the British armies as working in closest co-operation.

Forces in Libya

According to information received, there are at present 90,000 troops and considerable air force in Libya under the command of Air-Marshal Balbo. Libya has a barren coast line of some 800 miles and its principal ports are Tripoli to the west and further east Benghazi; some 250 miles from the Egyptian border. There is a continuous coast road which leads to Alexandria and there is, in addition, a desert track passing through the oasis of Siwah, just inside the Egyptian border which then forks, the northern fork leading to Cairo, the southern fork to Beni Suef, some sixty miles further south, on the Nile.

On Libya's western boundary lies Tunisia and here the French have made a strong defensive line. They maintain a strong military force and a considerable air force in Tunisia. The whole of the defence forces of North Africa have been put under the single command of General Nogues, the Resident-General of Morocco. It must be assumed, therefore, that if the Italian plan be to attack Egypt, a considerable containing force must be left on the western boundary, otherwise no sooner have they moved towards Egypt than the French armies will occupy their principal port of Tripoli.

A Warning

It would also be necessary to collect in Libya all the food, petrol and military stores required for this extensive campaign, for the command of the sea still lies with Great Britain and France and it would be rash indeed to assume that any considerable quantity of shipping would be allowed to reach Libya once war had started. The resulting supply depots, which I understand do exist, would be subject to air attack from Tunis, Egypt and Malta, and great quantities of irreplaceable stores could almost certainly be destroyed.

As far as is known the Libyan garrison is not at the present time concentrated on the eastern border and such concentration would be a preliminary move which would give Britain warning that an attack might be expected.

The natives of Libya, according to my information, are not too well disposed to their Italian overlords and would almost certainly rise if an opportunity presented itself. Consequently

in the country for maintaining internal order and guarding depots and lines of communication.

Military Tradition

Let us suppose that when these considerations have been met, there remains an army of 60,000 men available for a surprise attack on Egypt. With Benghazi as base, this force would be massed, the majority on the coast road, the remainder on the Siwah track, 150 miles inland. It would consist presumably of a great number of tanks supported by motorised

By Vice-Admiral
C. V. USBORNE

infantry and motorised artillery. If military tradition is to be followed, as this force advanced into Egypt, so forts must be established behind it to guard its line of communications. So that, unless some totally new form of warfare is contemplated, by the time the coastal army had covered the 250 miles to Alexandria it would have dwindled greatly in numbers.

Doubtless a strong feature of the operation would be the air attacks on Alexandria, Cairo and the Egyptian and British military establishments. But it would be unwise in such a plan to count on terrorising the Egyptian population and causing Egypt to sue for a separate peace, for all the evidence shows that the psychological effect of bombing cities is to fan into flame an uncompromising hatred of the aggressor and a determination to resist him.

One Asset

One asset the attackers would possess lies in the co-operation of aircraft from the Italian islands of Rhodes and Leros, 350 miles to the north. It will be the aim of these air forces to incapacitate the British Fleet and drive it out of Alexandria. If they succeeded in this and were able to establish temporary command of the sea in the Eastern Mediterranean, it would be possible to send additional troops from Rhodes where 30,000 men are waiting to reinforce the attackers from Libya. But it is my belief that the British fleet can successfully resist air attack.

Let us now consider the defence. The Egyptian army consists of some 30,000 men and Great Britain has, stationed in Egypt, at least one armoured division. A fortified line has been prepared at or near the Egyptian western frontier. It is usual to assume that a defensive force need only be one third of an attacking force. Consequently 20,000 men should be sufficient according to old standards. In accordance with the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, there are about 10,000 British troops in Egypt. Moreover, the situation in Palestine has necessitated the despatch to that country of a strong military force of about 15,000 men which could, in an emergency, provide reinforcements for Egypt. There is a railway line between Palestine and Egypt, so that the distance of some 250 miles could be covered very rapidly.

Neyer Isolated

Behind this lie the British troops in India and the great

verge upon Egypt by two separate routes. They can be brought overland from the head of the Persian Gulf, through Baghdad and Aleppo, or more rapidly by the Red Sea to Suez. Incidentally, the port of Suakin in the Red Sea can be used to reinforce the Anglo-Egyptian garrison of the Sudan in the event of attacks on that country from northern Abyssinia. Unlimited supplies of oil and petrol are available at Haifa at the end of the pine-line, so that it can be said that even if the Mediterranean traffic were completely interrupted by enemy action in the Malta Channel, the British forces in Egypt and its vicinity need never run short of supplies.

Egypt Safe

The squadron stationed in the East Indies, consisting of cruisers and sloops, reinforced by destroyers and submarines, would doubtless concentrate in the Red Sea, where communications for the Italian army in Abyssinia of 350,000 men would at once become impossible. Miracles may still happen, new and secret methods of warfare may still be devised, but as far as it is humanly possible to foresee, Egypt can resist any attack which the present Libyan garrison could make.

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I do this in the hope that a letter from a "furriner" might finally good those Set in Authority over Us to do something practical about it.

When I arrived, I was delighted to learn that, although sport takes up a great deal of the spare time of residents of all shapes and sizes in Hong Kong, the artistic side is not as

badly neglected as reputation would have it.

In conversation with a local resident or three, I learned that in many respects, Hong Kong is as progressive as any city outside of London, Paris, New York and Melbourne. We have some sort of artists' guild, a philharmonic society, a theatrical organization (even though, like its Shanghai counterpart, it flitters away most of its talent on inconsequential plays), a camera club and even a nudist colony.

And yet, despite all this evidence of Hong Kong's artistic soul, facilities for the greatest moral uplift of all, the Soother of the Anguished Spirits of ARP instructors and the Misanthrope's Solace—in short, music with or without a capital M—are almost wholly lacking.

It is, indeed, amazing to an outsider that such a vital part of the life of civilized man should be left in the occasional, unofficial chamber orchestra (no slur, of course, is here intended on these lone musicians staging a splendid up-hill fight) or of those kindly gentlemen who share their stock of gramophone records with the public. Though the latter are better than nothing, they are hardly a fair substitute when it comes to something like Ibert's "Diversissement," which has to be seen to be fully appreciated.

I listened to one of these "gramophone concerts" on Thursday evening. The selection was catholic—Beethoven's D minor symphony, Schubert's "Un-

finished" ditto, a Wagner-overture, Stravinsky's "Awakening of Spring," and, by way of an encore, Handel's "Largo"—and the gramophone was somewhat "woolly" in tone.

But what interested me most was the audience, which was composed for the most part of young men. Most of these would have looked equally at home on a badminton court or in a night club, yet they seemed to be taking a fairly intelligent interest in everything but Stravinsky. This might be construed a good augury, surely, for another attempt at getting a symphony orchestra for Hong Kong. Music contains an intense moral force for good. In an article in "Mercure de France"—

a translation of which appeared in the April "Magazine Digest"—Bruno Walter describes an experiment carried out in San Francisco a few years back, when some unnamed, middle-aged philanthropist started lessons in part-singing for the prisoners. According to Walter, the result was:—

"A distinct improvement could be observed in their relationship with their superiors and among themselves. Instead of having to resort to the various forms of punishment previously employed, the threat of excluding a man from the next singing class was usually enough to bring him to submission . . . not a single one of these men relapsed into crime after his liberation. Unfortunately a change in the management of the prison interrupted this remarkable experiment."

With the Japanese in full and dog-in-the-mangerish control of the hinterland, Hong Kongites are, to a certain extent, prisoners—though I grant that most of them somehow manage to achieve this sorry state without the benefit of a criminal record—and, at the risk of being charged with a newcomer's impertinence, I would like to point out that Hong Kong needs music just as much as it does ARP shelters and instruction.

According to one account of Thursday's performance of Peral's "Resurrection of Christ," the Governor "headed an interested and appreciative audience." That being the case, it might be assumed that he would

IMPRESSIVE TAXATION FIGURES

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

SOME IMPRESSIVE FIGURES ARE QUOTED BY ROAD INTERESTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE BUDGET PROTESTS.

It is pointed out that special motor taxation now touched £100,000,000 in a budget which has not yet reached the £1,000,000,000 mark.

Thus motor vehicles pay more than one-tenth of the national taxes, their owners still paying ordinary rates and taxes like everybody else.—Our Own Correspondent.

give fair and sympathetic hearing to a really concerted and energetic drive for providing Hong Kong with a symphony orchestra.

As a former musical critic in Shanghai, I can assure you that a weekly symphony concert during the cooler months soon becomes a very vital part of the lives of a good many people.

That the same would apply to Hong Kong is, I think, evident from the interest displayed in the occasional gramophone recitals and the broadcasts of music transmitted by ZBW amid the daily batches of dance and "vocal" recordings.

Can anyone tell me why Hong Kong is musically inert?—and why something should not be done about it?

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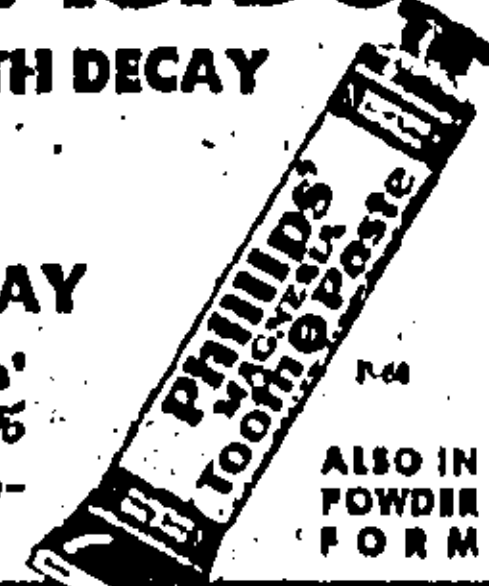
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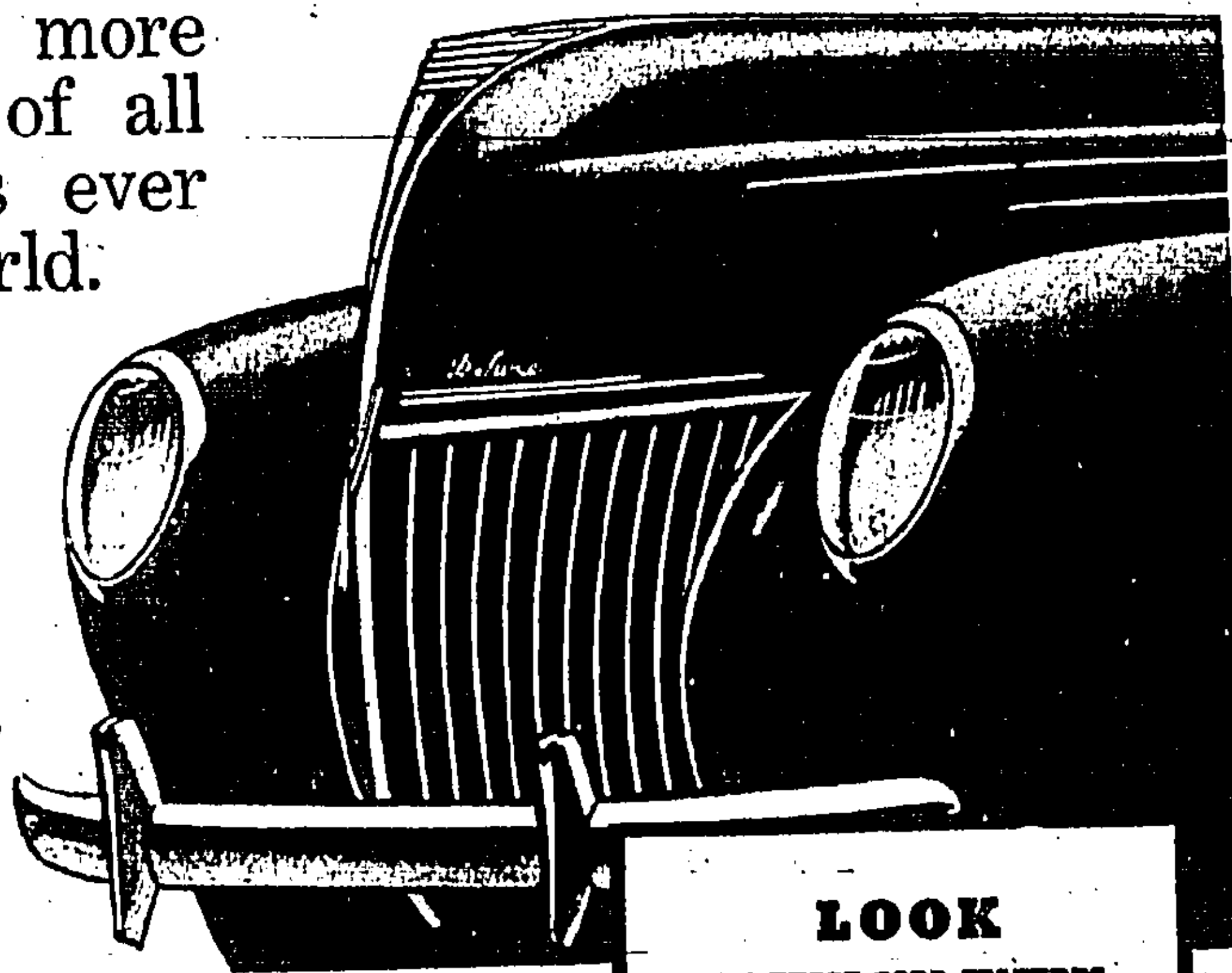
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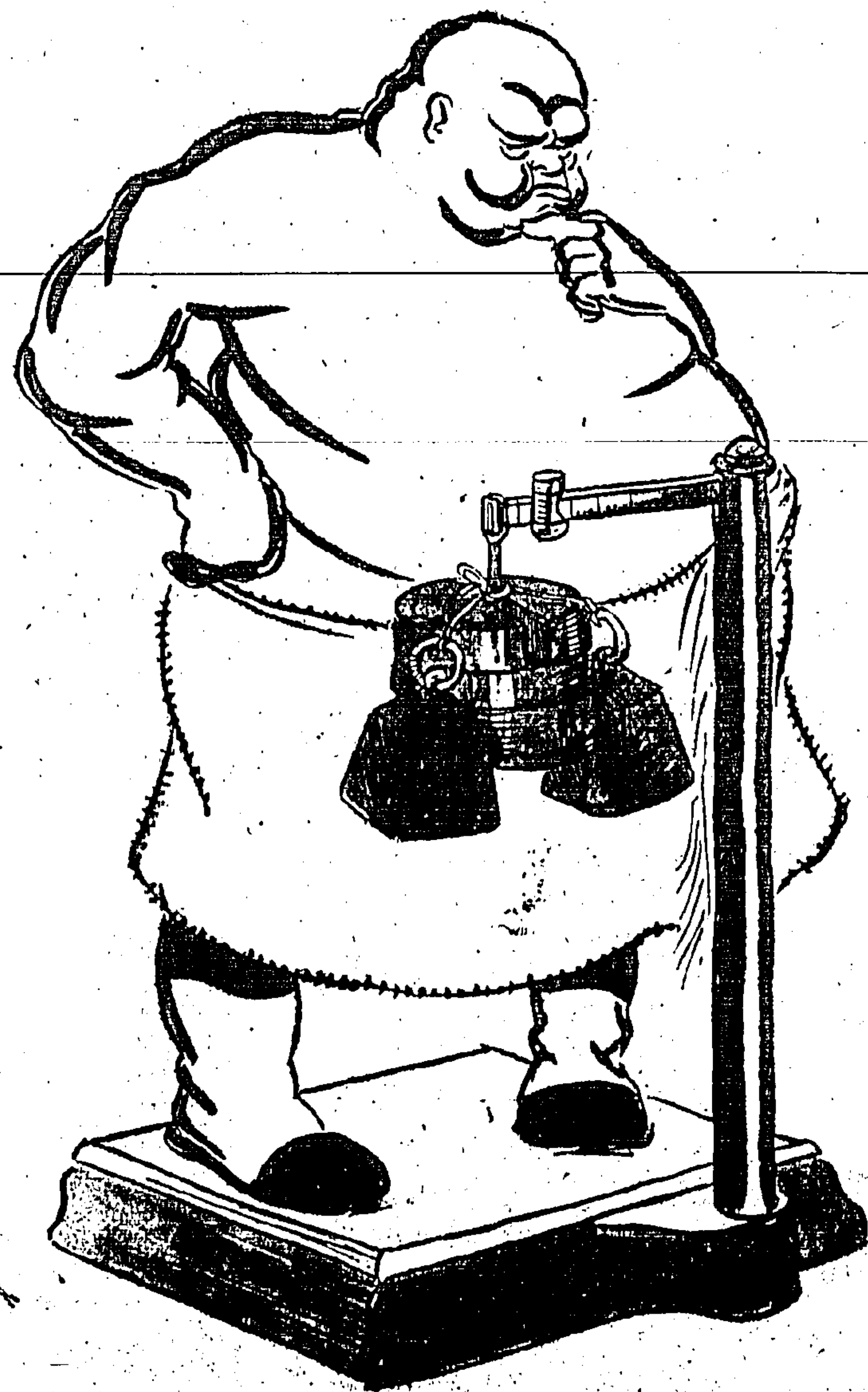
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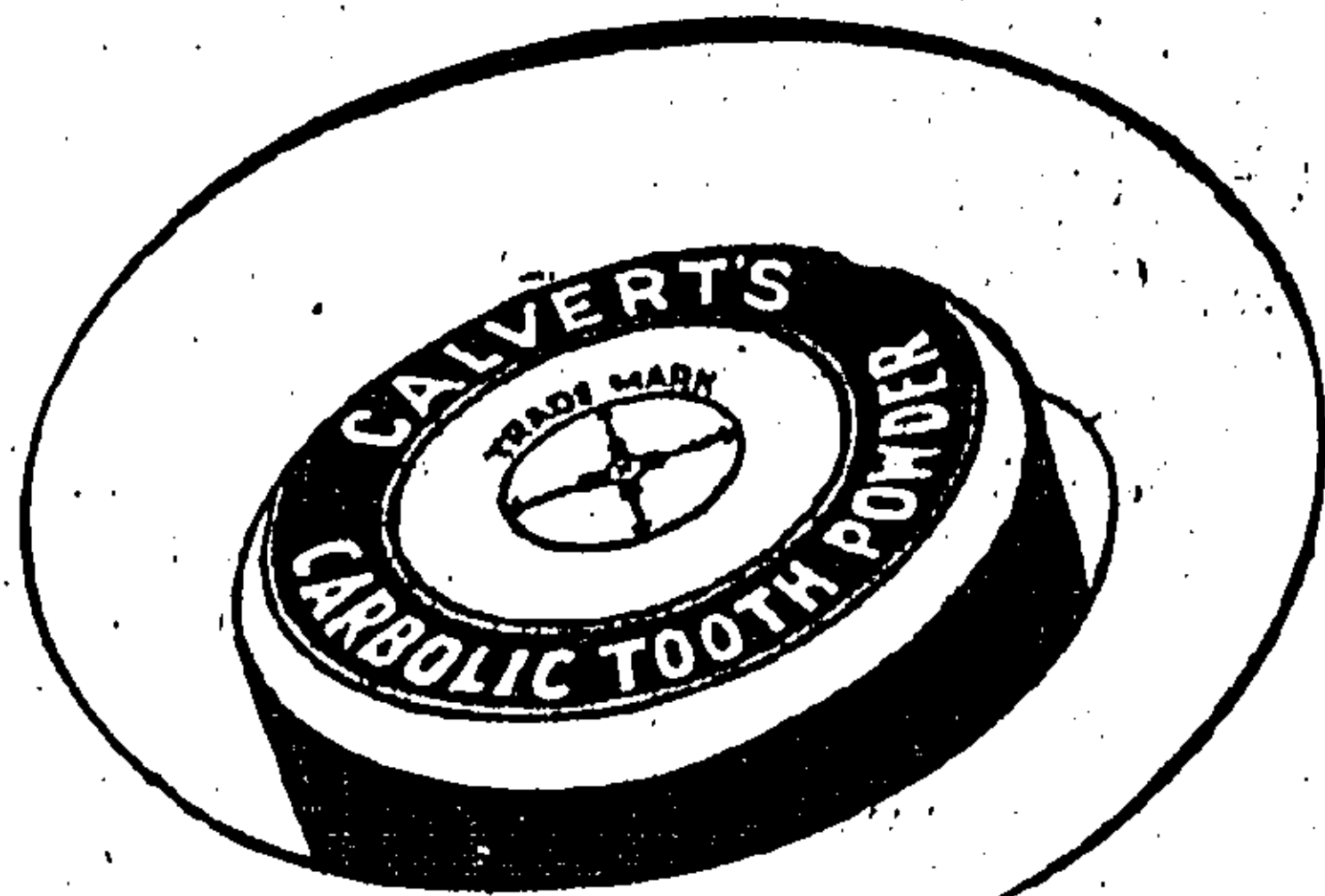
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"Kindly rest on your ears, Timothy. That contraption is getting you nowhere. And it squeaks. And the Eton Boating Song is not in the key of D."

"What's up, Peter? Got a head?"

"Like a gasometer. Very painful. And that noise you're making goes through it like a pneumatic drill."

"Wasn't I on the warpath by your side? And look at me — no more hangover than an innocent little child."

"Well, it's not natural. It just

proves that the Devil looks after his own."

"I look after myself, old son. Last night I took a sizeable swig of Rose's Lime Juice before hitting the hay. That's how to kill off the aftermath of alcohol."

"You wouldn't lead me up the garden, Timothy?"

"Peter, you wrong me. I've seen the light and I'm passing on the tip."

"Then, if you will kindly step ashore, we will seek out a vendor of Rose's. It's time I fell into good habits."

H.N. BRAILSFORD takes a gloomy view of the failure to reach agreement with Russia

Yet Another Blow At Real Peace

THE resignation of Maxim Litvinov is a disaster that may alter the political map of Europe. It is the biggest success that has fallen to Mr. Chamberlain's class-policy.

We can as yet only guess why this able and tenacious man retired from one of the most responsible positions in the civilised world; but seldom have I hazarded a guess with less hesitation.

He had offered a triple alliance to Downing Street and though that institution still dallies over the drafting of its final answer, no one doubts what its substance will be. Mr. Chamberlain quibbles, but in effect he will refuse.

That was known already in Moscow. It meant a heavy rebuff for Litvinov and his initiative. It is an experience which no Great Power can be expected to enjoy.

Litvinov took a risk when he made that generous proposal. He staked everything on the sincerity of Mr. Chamberlain's conversion to a policy of resistance. He gambled; he lost, and he has paid the price of daring.

The misfortune is that this failure did not stand alone. In 1934, after Hitler had come to power, Litvinov saw the necessity of reversing the foreign policy of the Soviet Union. He entered the League of Nations, which Communists had hitherto regarded as a tool of British and French imperialism.

Simultaneously, Litvinov launched his Eastern Pact of mutual defence. Poland would not join it, and though France ratified the treaty after long delays, she has never yet given it reality by entering into military conversations.

DOES IT MEAN ISOLATION?

Parallel with these moves, Litvinov took the lead in promoting the general strategy of the People's Front. This bold departure from orthodox scores its brilliant early successes, but in the long run the "two hundred families" got the better of it in France.

It wrote a page of epic glory in Spain, only to rouse in Berlin, Rome and Downing Street a class-conscious opposition that destroyed it.

Then Russia was banished from the talks which ended in the betrayal of Munich. And now comes the rejection of the Russian plan of collective security.

Litvinov carried on a constructive European policy with imagination and perseverance. It lies in ruins with no lasting success to its credit. Mr. Chamberlain finally shattered it.

It is to be foreseen that the Soviet Union will now retire into relative isolation. It cannot force its help on those who do not want it.

It is significant that M. Potemkin, Litvinov's immediate lieutenant, who shared his views, has not been chosen to succeed him. M. Molotov, though his may be only a provisional appointment, is a home-staying Russian whose horizon is the steppe. Stalin may feel that he has a boundless garden of his own to cultivate and defend.

RUSSIA'S PLEDGE OF AID

The business of the Russian Alliance is wrapped in muddle and obscurity. All that the public certainly knows is that nearly two months have passed since Hitler challenged Europe by annexing the Czech Republic, and nearly three weeks since Litvinov proposed to create the Triple Alliance as a barrier against further aggression.

This conception was as bold as it was simple. Litvinov realised that the three peace-loving Great Powers, with their immense resources in raw materials as well as man-power, must first form a group evidently superior in its massive weight to that of the Axis.

Once it stood firmly knit and ready to act with united forces; wherever the next blow might fall, the minor Powers would rally to it, confident alike in its will and its ability to succour them. The alliance was to operate over the whole European con-

tinents. Moscow required no pledges covering the Far East, for she felt able to deal with Japan alone, if her Western Front were secured. But she wished to guarantee peace in the west of Europe as well as in the Near East.

In plain words, if England and France were at war with the Axis, even if they had become involved by giving aid to Holland, Belgium or Switzerland, Russia would come in and counter-attack from the East. Equally, if the aggression of the Axis started in the East, not Russia only but the Western Powers also would be involved.

In short, Hitler would have to realise that any war he provoked would be the thing every German soldier is determined to avoid—a war on two fronts.

The Russian plan was, therefore, the most effective deterrent that could be devised. Once the general scheme was adopted, the Russians insisted that the soldiers must instantly give it concrete reality through Staff conversations. Peace would be assured on the day that General Gort and General Gamelin flew to Moscow to talk with Marshal Voroshilov.

That done, it would next be necessary to obtain from Poland and Rumania permission for the Red Army to use their territory in return for an unequivocal guarantee of their independence and integrity.

Finally, I gather that once the alliance stood armed and unbreakable, the Russians were prepared to consider collective negotiations with the Axis Powers. The strong may safely concede to reason what the weak dare not yield to threats.

DANGER OF NEW ONE-WAY PLEDGES

The British plan was, by contrast, an improvisation. Its guiding principle was not Litvinov's motto: that peace is indivisible.

Because he will not believe that the Axis is a firm alliance, Mr. Chamberlain refuses to create a counter alliance to oppose it. But he has given a series of pledges of support to Poland, Rumania, and Greece, and less formally, in association with the French, to Holland and Switzerland.

As yet, they are verbal; no Staff conversations have followed, and only Poland has reciprocated by making the obligation mutual.

The peculiarity of these pledges is that each stands alone; there is no system of collective security. In plain words, Poland is under no obligation to march if Rumania should be attacked. Each of our clients can be taken in detail.

As for Russia's share, the suggestion is that she might sign a "declaration" promising to oppose aggression, but only in the East. We and the French would do the same.

Russia should agree to help her immediate neighbours in the East, but only to the extent that they may welcome her aid. This is understood to mean that they will accept her munitions and planes, but not her infantry.

PASSIVE DEFENCE NO REMEDY

The weakness of this scheme is obvious.

(1) No coalition is created which will mass its united forces to deter the Axis from any aggression anywhere.

(2) Rumania is certainly and Poland probably too weak to withstand a determined German attack without the fullest use of Russia's man-power.

(3) In this half-hearted scheme, Mr. Chamberlain actually fails to avail himself of Russia's readiness to counter-attack, if the aggression should start in the West. She is to give strictly limited help to her immediate neighbours, but we want none of it for ourselves.

credentials of the new British Ambassador to Rome.

The chief consequence of Mr. Chamberlain's proudest achievement—for he it is who has brought down Litvinov by sabotaging the best hope for peace that the world has seen since President Wilson founded the League—will be that Hitler will be confirmed in his rooted belief that the English ruling class does not mean resistance.

We may soon have to choose between another Munich and war at the head of a sorry team of allies. We risked Europe's peace when we missed our chances of bringing this blind Premier down.

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LINE-UP WITH FASCISM

Why is this shoddy-plan preferred to Litvinov's effective scheme? Sir John Simon denies that the "ideological" prejudices of the Cabinet account for it. But those of others are mobilised. The Polish colonels admit to them, and the great land-owners of Rumania.

Mussolini has uttered a warning, and so has the Duke of Alba. To add a touch of comedy, the prudery of Portugal is invoked. So in the name of consideration for others, we reject the effective aid of the only State whose man-power could balance that of the Axis.

To prove that we mean business, we conscript 200,000 British boys, while we reject Russia's 12,000,000.

With an obstinacy that baffles belief Mr. Chamberlain still clings to his delusion that he can detach Italy from the Axis. That is why he has condoned the rape of Albania and even recognised its annexation in the

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PROBABLE ENTRIES FOR 1939 BOWLS TOURNEY

Entries for the 1939 Colony Lawn Bowls Championships close on Tuesday next.

The following are probable entries from various clubs:

CLUB DE RECREIO

Open Singles—E. de Sousa, G. C. Pereira, F. X. M. da Silva, H. A. Alves, L. J. Silva, R. P. Luz, F. V. V. Ribeiro, M. F. Alarcon, J. F. V. Ribeiro, J. C. Remedios, C. H. Basto, B. Basto, J. E. Noronha, J. A. da Luz, L. F. Xavier, F. X. Soares, G. C. Silva and C. M. da Silva.

Open Pairs—A. F. Noronha and A. M. Rodrigues; O. P. Remedios and E. de Sousa; J. C. Remedios and G. C. Pereira; H. A. Alves and F. V. V. Ribeiro; J. F. V. Ribeiro and L. J. Silva; J. E. Noronha and G. C. Silva; C. F. Remedios and B. Basto; F. A. Machado and F. X. M. da Silva; J. A. da Luz and L. F. Xavier; F. X. Soares and C. M. Silva.

Open Rinks—J. C. Remedios, C. C. Pereira, O. P. Remedios and E. de Sousa (skip).

H. A. Alves, A. M. Rodrigues, F. V. V. Ribeiro and L. J. Silva (skip).

A. M. Xavier, D. C. Alves, C. M. S. Alves and C. Roza Pereira (skip).

A. F. Noronha, J. A. Luz, J. E. Noronha and C. G. Silva (skip).

F. A. Machado, C. M. Silva, J. F. V. Ribeiro and F. X. M. da Silva (skip).

C. F. Remedios, A. P. Guterres, J. J. Basto and B. Basto (skip).

KOWLOON B.G.C.

Open Singles—A. M. Holland, T. E. Robson, R. Duncan, J. C. Gill, W. L. Walker, S. M. White, H. Nish, S. Randle, R. Phillips, A. Bower, A. S. Russell, J. G. Meyer and A. J. Hall.

Open Pairs—T. E. Robson and H. Nish; R. Duncan and A. M. Holland; W. L. Walker and J. C. Gill; J. S. Logan and J. G. Meyer; S. M. White and A. J. Hall.

Open Rinks—R. Lapaley, Holland, J. C. Gill and T. E. Robson (skip).

A. S. Russell, W. L. Walker, A. J. Hall and R. Duncan (skip).

KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB

Open Singles—F. Goodwin, E. C. Fincher, T. W. Carr, W. H. Hobbs, R. S. Meadows, M. Jack, W. Mulcahy and H. Overy.

Open Pairs—F. Goodwin and E. W. Simmonds; J. Fraser and E. C. Fincher; W. H. Hobbs and R. S. Meadows; W. Mulcahy and T. W. Carr; A. Madar and T. A. Madar; H. Overy and J. Hyde.

Open Rinks—J. V. Ramsey, W. Mulcahy, T. W. Carr and J. Fraser (skip).

G. W. Bowden, J. H. Smith, W. H. Hobbs and R. S. Meadows (skip).

W. Nash, F. E. Nash, W. Nash and H. Nish (skip).

KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB

Open Singles—J. Eastman, W. Field, V. N. Atienza, V. Chittenden.

Open Pairs—T. Fergusson and W. C. Simpson; W. V. Field and J. Gibson; McCarthy and P. Morgan; W. C. Simpson and V. Petherick.

Open Rinks—W. C. Simpson, A. Eastman, V. Petherick and T. Fergusson (skip).

J. Gibson, A. Downman, V. Chittenden and W. Field (skip).

KOWLOON TONG F.C.

Open Singles—J. N. Wong, W. J. Howard, Y. Abbas, H. Gittins, C. Mose and N. A. E. Mackay.

Open Pairs—J. L. Stephens and A. Spary; Y. H. Tang and H. N. Wong; C. Mose and W. H. B. Muskett; W. J. Howard and H. Gittins; R. E. Lee and N. A. E. Mackay.

Open Rinks—A. E. H. Castro, W. J. Howard, J. L. Stephens and A. Spary (skip).

C. Mose, Y. H. Tang, V. N. Atienza and W. H. B. Muskett (skip).

J. N. Wong, T. K. Lim, H. Gittins and N. A. E. Mackay (skip).

POLICE R.C.

Open Singles—A. E. Carey, W. Mair, J. Riddell, C. A. Altkon, G. Perkins, D. Fitches, N. B. Fraser, J. H. Forrest, W. S. Dow, F. Channing, E. G. Post.

Open Pairs—E. G. Post and A. E. Carey; W. McLeod and W. Dall; W. Glendinning and W. Mair; J. Riddell and C. Altkon; J. Campbell and G. Perkins; D. Fitches and R. Ellis; F. C. Channing and G. Downman; T. W. McDonald and H. Brown; J. Forrest and J. Orem.

Open Rinks—W. McLeod, W. Dall, E. G. Post and A. E. Carey (skip).

N. B. Fraser, E. Farlow, J. McWalter and J. Riddell (skip).

R. Ellis, F. C. Channing, W. Mair

and J. Fender (skip).

J. Forrest, G. S. Alexander, G. Perkins and J. Orem (skip).

CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

Open Singles—J. Pau, W. Ward, J. Landolt, C. S. Rossetti, M. Medina, W. K. Way, U. M. Omar, A. M. Omar, K. M. Omar, C. W. Lam, E. Zimmern, A. J. J. Coelho, A. E. Coates, B. W. Bradbury and R. Basa.

Open Pairs—G. Ladd and J. Pau; A. Razack and J. S. Landolt; A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury; L. C. Coates and C. S. Rossetti; T. Locke and W. K. Way; W. J. Penney and A. M. Omar; E. Zimmern and M. Medina; F. X. Delgado and C. W. Lam; A. J. Coelho and A. N. Othor; J. W. Leonard and W. Ward.

Open Rinks—J. Xavier, G. Ladd, T. Locke and J. Pau (skip).

J. W. Leonard, K. M. Omar, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip).

L. C. Coates, W. Ward, W. K. Way, and C. S. Rossetti (skip).

L. Gaddi, R. Basa, J. S. Landolt and R. Basa (skip).

A. J. Coelho, F. X. Delgado, F. V. N. Atienza and M. Medina (skip).

W. J. Penney, A. A. Razack, K. M. Omar and U. M. Omar (skip).

W. McNeil, C. W. Lam, N. P. Karanjia and E. Zimmern (skip).

HONG KONG F.C.

Open Singles—A. Brooksbank, J. S. Howell, W. J. Field, J. A. R. Selby, J. H. Gelling, P. Anslow and R. A. Edwards.

Open Pairs—J. S. Howell and N. Babbington; A. Steven and J. A. R. Selby; J. H. Gelling and A. Brooksbank; P. Anslow and R. A. Edwards.

Open Rinks—J. S. Howell, W. J. Field, N. Babbington and A. Brooksbank (skip).

LUZ REPLACES LOPES

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C. A. Lopes, No. 2 in C. G. Silva's triumphant 1938 Open Championship rink, is likely to be replaced by J. A. Luz, singles finalist last year, in this year's tournament.

HIGHEST AND LOWEST IN BOWLS LEAGUE

The following are the highest and lowest in the 1939 Lawn Bowls League to date:

HIGHEST AGGREGATE SCORE

1st Div.—C.C.C. 94 v C.S.C.C. 59

2nd Div.—C.C.C. 79 v K.F.C. 36

3rd Div.—K.C.C. 75 v Recreio 55

LOWEST AGGREGATE SCORE

1st Div.—Rec. "B" 38 v K.B.G.C. 64

2nd Div.—K.F.C. 36 v C.C.C. 79

3rd Div.—H.K.E.R.C. 37 v K.B.G.C. 65

BIGGEST WIN

1st Div.—35, C.C.C. v C.S.C.C.

2nd Div.—43, C.C.C. v K.F.C.

3rd Div.—30, Recreio v C.C.C.

HIGHEST RINK SCORE

1st Div.—38, A. A. Razack, L. C. R. Rossetti and R. Basa (skip, C.C.C.) v C.S.C.C.

2nd Div.—33, E. Korman, D. Crawley, W. Burling and W. Bagley (skip, C.S.C.C.) v K.F.C.

3rd Div.—36, W. H. Hobbs, F. E. Nash, R. Meadows and J. M. Jack (skip, K.C.C.) v Recreio.

LOWEST RINK SCORE

1st Div.—4, J. C. Remedios, D. C. Alves, C. Roza-Pereira and B. Basto (skip, Rec. "B") v K.B.G.C.

2nd Div.—7, R. P. Shaw, C. B. Robertson, W. J. Field and A. Brooksbank (skip, H.K.F.C.) v K.T.G.C.A.

3rd Div.—7, E. McNay, H. Peterson, C. W. Lam and J. Pau (skip, C.C.C.) v Recreio.

BIGGEST RINK WIN

1st Div.—25, F. Cheesman, S. M. White, W. S. Drake and W. Macfarlane (skip, K.B.G.C.) v Recreio, "B".

2nd Div.—21, C. Mose, J. J. Tang, J. L. Stephens and A. Spary (skip, K.T.G.C.A.) v H.K.F.C.

3rd Div.—28, W. H. Hobbs, F. E. Nash, R. Meadows and J. M. Jack (skip, K.C.C.) v Recreio.

SEVENS RECORDED

R. R. Davis, R. R. Wood, L. Collyer and J. Denkin (skip, C.S.C.C.) v C.C.C.

A. A. Razack, C. B. Souza, C. S. Rossetti and R. Basa (skip, C.C.C.) v C.S.C.C.

No sevens have been recorded in the Second and Third Divisions.

SIXES RECORDED

(Only skips name mentioned)

1st Div.—A. R. Dallah (I.R.C.), U. M. Omar (C.C.C.), R. Basa (C.C.C.).

2nd Div.—A. Spary (K.T.G.C.A.), W. McHardy (P.R.C.), J. Cavanagh (C.C.C.).

3rd Div.—E. S. Alves (C.C.C.), T. W. Carr (K.C.C.), W. B. Muskett (H.K.E.R.C.).

SPORT WASH-OUT

Due to heavy rain overnight and a continued fall throughout the day, yesterday's sports programme was washed out, not one game being played.

and J. Fender (skip).

J. Forrest, G. S. Alexander, G. Perkins and J. Orem (skip).

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Open Rinks—J. Xavier, G. Ladd, T. Locke and J. Pau (skip).

J. W. Leonard, K. M. Omar, A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury (skip).

L. C. Coates, W. Ward, W. K. Way, and C. S. Rossetti (skip).

L. Gaddi, R. Basa, J. S. Landolt and R. Basa (skip).

A. J. Coelho, F. X. Delgado, F. V. N. Atienza and M. Medina (skip).

W. J. Penney, A. A. Razack, K. M. Omar and U. M. Omar (skip).

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K.C.C. RINKS ARE AS YET UNDEFEATED

U. M. OMAR'S Craigengower rink have proved the most successful in the premier Lawn Bowls League, winning both their opening games to establish a shots superiority of 35. They are followed by another Craigengower four—R. Basa's—who have won both games to become 24 shots up.

Kowloon Cricket Club's three senior rinks are as yet unbeaten, a record shared only by Craigengower juniors, two of whose rinks head the Second Division table.

O. P. Remedios's Recreio quartette have a 100 per cent. record for three matches played and are 29 shots to the good in the Third Division.

The following table shows how the rinks have fared to date, giving only the skip's name.

FIRST DIVISION

	P.	W.	L.	Tie	F.	A.	Up	Shots	Shots	Pts.
U. M. Omar (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	58	23	35	0	4	
R. Basa (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	60	36	24	0	4	
E. Kern (K.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	48	28	20	0	4	
E. C. Fincher (K.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	45	26	19	0	4	
M. R. Abbas (I.R.C.)	2	2	0	0	46	29	17	0	4	
F. Goodwin (K.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	43	34	9	0	4	
A. K. Minu (I.R.C.)	2	1	0	1	44	37	7	0	3	
A. R. Dallah (I.R.C.)	2	1	0	1	41	35	6	0	3	
H. A. Alves (Rec. "A")	1	1	0	0	28	11	17	0	2	
F. X. Silva (Rec. "A")	1	1	0	0	20	16	4	0	2	
A. A. Remedios (Rec. "B")	1	1	0	0	18	14	4	0	2	
J. Denkin (C.S.C.C.)	1	1	0	0	26	23	3	0	2	
C. G. Silva (Rec. "A")	1	1	0	0	20	19	1	0	2	
W. Macfarlane (K.B.G.C.)	2	1	0	1	41	26	15	0	2	
B. W. Bradbury (C.C.C.)	2	1	1	0	50	40	10	0	2	
R. Duncan (K.B.G.C.)	2	1	1	0	37	38	0	1	2	
A. M. Holland (K.B.G.C.)	2	0	1	1	36	40	0	4	1	
J. Orem (P.R.C.)	2	0	1	1	35	39	0	4	1	
F. X. Soares (Rec. "B")	1	0	1	0	19	22	0	3	0	
R. Morrison (K.D.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	15	21	0	6	0	
J. Fender (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	17	24	0	7	0	
S. Gray (K.D.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	14	27	0	13	0	
W. Mair (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	11	25	0	17	0	
M. N. Rakusen (C.S.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	20	38	0	18	0	
J. Hollidge (C.S.C.C.)	1	0	1	0	13	33	0	20	0	
A. E. Carey (P.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	34	42	0	8	0	
J. J. Basto (Rec. "B")	2	0	2	0	30	44	0	14	0	
F. Cullen (K.D.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	28	44	0	16	0	
J. C. Brown (K.D.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	26	48	0	22	0	
B. Basto (Rec. "B")	2	0	2	0	16	54	0	38	0	

Totals 48 22 22 0 939 939 191 191 48

SECOND DIVISION

M. A. R. Souza (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	54	28	26	0	4
W. Bagley (C.S.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	54	28	26	0	4
J. Cavanagh (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	49	23	26	0	4
N. Bebbington (H.K.F.C.)	2	2	0	0	49	24	25	0	4
A. E. Spary (K.T.G.C.A.)	2	2	0	0	49	27	22	0	4
J. Chalmers (T.D.R.C.)	2	2	0	0	47	26	21	0	4
W. K. Way (C.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	51	33	18	0	4
S. Eccleshall (C.S.C.C.)	2	2	0	0	44	29	15	0	4
D. Munro (T.D.R.C.)	2	2	0	0	39	30	9	0	4
W. E. Hollands (P.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	26	18	8	0	2
W. McHardy (P.R.C.)	1	1	0	0	26	22	4	0	2
T. Fergusson (K.F.C.)	1	1	0	0	22	19	3	0	2
J. G. Meyer (K.B.G.C.)	2	1	1	0	40	32	8	0	2
A. R. Selby (H.K.F.C.)	2	1	1	0	40	35	5	0	2
H. Gittins (K.T.G.C.A.)	2	1	1	0	36	41	0	5	2
J. S. Riddell (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	20	21	0	1	0
H. White (K.B.G.C.)	1	0	1	0	13	22	0	9	0
A. Youngusband (K.F.C.)	1	0	1	0	11	22	0	11	0
G. C. Moss (P.R.C.)	1	0	1	0	13	25	0	12	0
T. Armstrong (K.B.G.C.)	1	0	1	0	17	32	0	15	0
G. S. Alexander (P.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	33	42	0	9	0
G. E. F. Thompson (K.B.G.C.)	2	0	2	0	29	39	0	10	0
A. H. Basto (K.T.G.C.A.)	2	0	2	0	36	51	0	18	0
J. Wallace (T.D.R.C.)	2	0	2	0	27	47	0	20	0
W. Hillyer (C.S.C.C.)	2	0	2	0	29	50	0	21	0
W. V. Field (K.F.C.)	2	0	2	0	27	51	0	24	0
J. Gibson (K.F.C.)	2	0	2	0	27	61	0	34	0
A. Brooksbank (H.K.F.C.)	2	0	2	0	20	50	0	30	0

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STARTING TO-MORROW, THE "CHINA MAIL" WILL COMMENCE A SERIES OF 28 ARTICLES BY LEO FULLER ON THE HIGHLIGHTS IN BOXING HISTORY. THE FOLLOWING IS THIS WEEK'S LIST OF ARTICLES:

TO-MORROW—Dempsey Meets Gibbons in Ring's greatest slugfest.

TUESDAY—They never come back in the heavyweight ranks.

WEDNESDAY—Boxing's biggest fiasco.

THURSDAY—When Ku Klux Klan tried to steal world title.

SATURDAY—Lili Perpetual Motion—Henry Armstrong.

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King Kong May Win Whitsun Handicap Marksman Faces Stiffest Test

H.K. RACING PIGEON —CLUB RALLY—

Members of Hong Kong Racing Pigeon Club are reminded that a rally will be held at Un Long 5-day, weather permitting. They are asked to meet at Kowloon Railway Station at 10 a.m.

FOOTBALL

SOUTH CHINA PLAY CORNWALL THIS AFTERNOON

Owing to the rain yesterday the charity football game between South China and a H.K.F.A. team was not played.

Efforts are being made for the game to be played next Tuesday or Wednesday.

South China will meet H.M.S. Cornwall at Caroline Hill at 5 p.m. today in their farewell week-end game prior to their departure for the South Seas on their annual tour.

South China will be fielding their best side, which will include Lee Wai-tong, Leung Wing-chai, Lai Shui-wing and Kwok Ying-kee.

South China's team leave on Wednesday for the South Seas, but it is as yet uncertain whether Lee Wai-tong will be able to make the trip.

The itinerary includes Straits Settlements, Java and Sumatra, and on the homeward journey a visit will be paid to Manila.

The team is expected back late in August or early September.

Mr. Mok-hing will manage the team and will be assisted by Mr. Chow Hing-yung.

NEXT INTERPORT AGAINST MANILA

There seems to be little likelihood of a Manila football team visiting the Colony in February next year for several reasons, main one being the inability of the majority of players who are University students who will be in the midst of the examinations, to obtain leave.

Another factor is the decision of the Philippines Amateur Athletic Federation to send a soccer team to the World Olympics in June, 1940.

Tentative arrangements are that the selected Olympic team will leave Manila in April for Europe and, if the same arrangements with Hong Kong as last year are in force, this will mean that the Manila footballers will be in the Colony in February for the Interport and again in April on their way to Europe.

The Federation will be writing to Hong Kong Football Association shortly informing them of this and will request that Hong Kong again visit Manila in February and they return the visit in April when passing through the Colony. This will be a great saving to them in both time and money.

Manila are most anxious for the continuance of the series between Hong Kong and Manila and are willing to fall in with any other suggestion the local Association may make.

SOCCER SUCCESSES TO BE CELEBRATED TOMORROW NIGHT

South China Athletic Association are holding a dinner to-morrow night at Kum Lung Restaurant to celebrate the Association's unparalleled success this season on the soccer field.

Besides winning the First and Second Divisions on the League, the Association also won the Kowloon Charity Cup, South China supplied the majority of players to enable the Chinese to win the Governor's Cup, the Lal Wah Cup and the "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup competitions.

South China were also prominently represented in the Macao and Manila Interports.

INTER-HONG SOFTBALL LEAGUE FINAL TODAY

Weather permitting, the Final of the Inter-Hong Softball League will be played on Kowloon Football Club ground this afternoon at 4.30 p.m. between Netherlands Trading Society and Socony.

Prior to this game two exhibition games will be played between players chosen from "A" and "B" sections.

At the conclusion of the Final Mrs. Idefonso, wife of the president of the Softball Association, will present the trophy and medals to the champion team.

Bear Claw Expected To Win Whitsun Plate From Blue Express

(By "RAPIER")

THE Whitsun Handicap and Whitsun Plate are the two important events in the two day Whitsun Race Meeting of Hong Kong Jockey Club, which will commence on Saturday next, May 28, with nine events, and conclude on Monday, May 29, with 10 events.

LAWN TENNIS

RECREIO ENTERTAIN I.R.C. TOMORROW

A fair indication of the ultimate destination of the senior tennis shield should be obtained to-morrow from the match at King's Park between Club de Recreio and Indian Recreation Club.

Present indications are overwhelmingly in favour of R.C. winning the League without very much difficulty, only serious challenge they are likely to experience being from Indian Recreation Club.

This latter team should be thoroughly extended by Recreio, however, as they are always difficult to beat on home territory.

The Portuguese team will again be without the services of John Gonsalves, still on the sick list, but they have three fairly well-balanced pairs in:

A. V. Gosano and A. V. Remedios.
H. A. Barros and C. A. Barretto.
J. J. Remedios and F. J. Remedios.

It is noteworthy that I.R.C. have again broken up the S. A. and H. D. combination. The former will partner O. Rumbach, whilst the latter will play with A. H. Madar.

As generally anticipated, A. R. Minu and I. M. A. Razack will constitute a very useful third string.

R.C. will probably have the services of D. J. N. Anderson against I.R.C., but his presence is likely to make little difference to the result—a close sweep.

K.C.C. line-up will be E. C. Fincher and G. C. Barnett; A. E. P. Guest and A. Crawford; S. A. Gray and D. J. N. Anderson.

Whatever line-up the Chinese choose to adopt from their wealth of talent and at the moment they have not decided on their team—they should not be extended.

GAME POSTPONED
It is understood that University, whose fixture with R.C.C. last week was postponed for some time, will again ask for a postponement of their game to-morrow, against South China.

They have written to the Hon. Secretary of the H.K.L.T.A. giving their annual examinations as explanation for their inability to play.

They will, however, be in a position to meet their League commitments from to-morrow week, when their line-up will probably be:

Stephen Wong and Lim Thian-tet.
H. I. F. Ling and G. Lau.
C. C. Ma and Y. C. Lau.

GOOD MATCH AT RECREIO
In the "B" Division on Tuesday, Recreio should be severely tested by K.C.C. (A), who have a strong team on paper. The latter have a very strong first-string in A. V. White and F. Grose, who will take a good deal of beating.

Recreio, however, with A. M. da Silva and F. V. Ribeiro, and W. A. Reed and H. F. Gonsalves as two of their pairs, are very well-balanced and should win.

South China, assisted by several new players from Canton, should account for R.C.C. (B) but they will have to take all sets from K.I.T.C., notwithstanding the strength of the Russian brothers.

The Craigiepower line-up, with R. and Chai, J. and G. Lai as the nucleus of their team, should beat H.K.C.C. but they will have to watch J. J. Ferguson and E. Story, a very fine combination, carefully.

Owing to the fact that Wednesday is a holiday, there will be no "C" Division matches.

R.C.C. HOME TO RECREIO
In "D" Division on Thursday, Kowloon Tong holders, playing in the "A" Section, should have little difficulty in winning against K.C.C. The Kowloon Tong team, on paper, does not appear as powerful as it was last season, but they should have little difficulty in qualifying to play-off, probably against R.C.C. for the title at the end of the season.

Y.M.C.A. are down to play I.R.C. (B) but unless the fixture is rearranged to be played at Soekunpo, it is more than likely that it will have to be put off. The King's Park ground is at the moment undergoing repairs. K.I.T.C., their neighbours, are also similarly affected.

An interesting game in "B" Section should be that at Causeway Bay, where R.C.C. meet Club de Recreio. The latter are not nearly as strong as they were last season but should give a good account of themselves.

South China, who appear likely to offer a serious challenge to R.C.C., should have little difficulty against Civil Service, although W. College and J. E. Hooper and E. Baxter and L. G. Buckle should give them something to think about.

WEEK'S PROGRAMME
The following is the week's programme:

Contested over the mile, the Whitsun Handicap, for the best ponies among this year's subscription griffins, is unlikely to attract more than four starters:

Celtic Star (Mr. Tao)
King Kong (Mr. Raymond)
Marksman (Mr. Needs)
Musketeer (Mr. Encarnacao)

In view of its previous fine performances, Marksman, the champion subscription griffin, has been given top weight of 108 lbs., and the question is whether it can still win with such a burden. This remarkable pony has won races carrying 105 lbs. but can it manage the extra 3 lbs.?

Celtic Star won the Mount Davis Handicap (from the two mile post distance) when carrying 148 lbs., and may prove dangerous.

However, I fancy King Kong, which I understand, has been reserved for this event. It is fighting fit at the moment, and I think it will give Marksman a great fight.

Musketeer does not appear too fit, but as it is a fast mover, a surprise win here is quite likely. Whatever happens, a most interesting dash is expected, with King Kong having a good opportunity of winning.

WHITSUN PLATE
The Whitsun Plate will be contested over 1 1/4 miles and, as Rose Elect and Desert Chieftain are barred under the conditions of the race, I expect to see the following facing the starter:

Bear Claw (Mr. Black)
Blue Express (Mr. Encarnacao)
Boat Bay (Mr. Chiu)
Confusion Bay (Mr. Wei)
King's Warden (Mr. Needs)
Moonlight View (Mr. Pih)

From the above, records show that Blue Express came in second to Eve of Harvest in the St. George's Plate. Bear Claw, carrying 143 lbs. was second to Rose Elect in the Easter Stakes. Moonlight View, carrying 101 lbs. won the Canton Handicap (First Section).

Confusion Bay has been given top weight of 108 lbs. and as it has not been running for some time it is difficult to know how it will fare. I would prefer to support Bear Claw for a win, with Blue Express second and King's Warden third.

K.F.C. LAWN BOWLS TOURNAMENT ENTRIES

The following entries have been received to date in the Kowloon Football Club annual lawn bowls tournament:

Club Championship and President's Prize
C. Downman, R. O. Hughes, B. Thomson, T. Ferguson, V. Chittenden, W. C. Excell, P. Youngusband, C. Pile, W. C. Simpson, P. McCarthy, V. N. Atienza, V. Petherick, A. Enalman, J. Gibson, B. D. Evans, J. C. Brown, W. Groves and W. V. Field.

Handicap Singles
C. Downman, R. O. Hughes, B. Thomson, T. Ferguson, V. Chittenden, A. Eastman, W. C. Excell, P. Youngusband, C. Pile, B. D. Evans, W. C. Simpson, W. V. Field, P. McCarthy, V. N. Atienza, V. Petherick, S. C. Wong, S. Bones, J. C. Brown and W. Groves.

Novices' Competition
R. O. Hughes, B. Thomson, W. C. Excell, W. M. B. D. Evans, P. McCarthy, S. C. Wong, S. Bone and W. Groves.

Pairs Competition
R. O. Hughes and P. McCarthy; B. Thomson and S. C. Wong; T. Ferguson and W. C. Excell; J. C. Brown and V. N. Atienza; W. V. Field and B. D. Evans; V. Chittenden and J. Gibson; A. Eastman and W. Groves.

Rank Competition
T. Ferguson, S. C. Wong, W. C. Excell and B. Thomson.
C. Downman, R. O. Hughes, B. D. Evans, W. V. Field.
J. Gibson, V. Chittenden, W. Simpson and J. T. Smalley.

TO-MORROW
"A" Division
G.R.C. v. I.R.C.
G.D.F. v. I.R.C.
H.K.U.T.C. v. S.C.A.A.

TUESDAY
"B" Division
K.C.C. (B) v. S.C.A.A.
G.R.C. v. K.I.T.C.
G.D.F. v. K.C.C. (A)
G.C.C. v. H.K.C.C.

WEDNESDAY
No matches, Holiday.

THURSDAY
"D" Division (I)
K.C.C. v. K.C.C.A.
Y.M.C.A. v. I.R.C. (B)
K.I.T.C. v. K.D.R.O.

"D" Division (II)
G.R.C. v. G.D.R.
I.R.C. (A) v. R.P.S.C.
G.S.C.C. v. S.C.A.A.

FRIDAY
Mixed Doubles
G.R.C. v. I.R.C.
G.D.F. v. K.C.C. (B)
G.C.C. v. K.C.C. (A)



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10-11 a.m.—Relay of Morning Service from the Catholic Cathedral (Chinese).

11 a.m.—12.15 p.m.—Relay of Morning Service from St. Andrew's Church.

12.15 p.m.—Mozart: Concerto in C Minor, K. 491. Edwin Fischer (Piano) and The London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Lawrence Collingwood.

12.45 p.m.—Violin Solos by Yehudi Menuhin.

Legende, Op. 17 (Wienawski) with Orchestra Des Concerts Colonne cond. by Georges Enesco.

La Ronde Des Lutins, Op. 25 (Bazini); Moto Perpetuo, Op. 11 (Paganini), with Piano accomp. by Marcel Guille.

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—New Mayfair Orchestra and Webster Booth (Tenor).

Sweet Melody of Night (film "Give us this Night"). Webster Booth (Tenor) with Orchestra.

Medley Of James Tate's Songs.

New Mayfair Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.

Year of Theatre Land, Intro: Play, Orchestra, play (To-night at 8.30); Music in May (Careless Rapture); I breathe on windows (Over she goes); Drop in next time you're passing (Going Places); Anything Goes (from same); Love is a dancing thing (Follow the Sun) Unbelievable (Swing along); This'll make you whistle (from same); Janet Line, Webster Booth and Chorus with Orchestra.

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New Mayfair Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Seven Days Sunshine". A Musical Cruise with book and lyrics by Henrik Ege. Music by Norman Hackforth. Cast: Floyd Penryn; Sydney Keith; Claude Hulbert; Eddi Trevor; Doris Gilmore; Renee Mayer; Davy Burnaby; Gordon Little; Wynne Ajello; Teddy Williams; Gilbert Bailey; The Carlyle Cousins; The B.B.C. Theatre Orchestra conducted by Stanford Robinson.

2.30 p.m.—Close down.

7 p.m.—An hour of light French music with Tino Rossi, Ninon Vallin and Albert Prejean.

Speak To Me Of Love (Lemoir)... Tom Jones & His Orchestra.

Si Tu Le Voulais (Tosti)... Tino Rossi (Vocal) with Orchestra.

"La Belle Helene"—Selection (Offenbach)... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

L'Adorable Cantilene (Spencer-Chapelle)... Ninon Vallin (Soprano) with Piano.

Sylvia Ballet (Delibes)... Mando-line Orchestra.

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8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

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2. Five Valses (Friedmann).

3. "Phedre"—Overture (Massenet).

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La Zingarella (Paisiello).

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8.55 p.m.—Ballet—The Fair Maid Of Perth—Suite, Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News and Newletter.

9.35 p.m.—London Relay—Sports Talk and Saturday Sport.

9.50 p.m.—The Kentucky Minstrels, Carry Me Back To Green Pastures (Popper); Whisper And I Shall Hear (Piccolomini); True Till Death (Scott Gatty); Love, Could I Only Tell Thee (Bingham-Capel)... with Herbert Dawson at the Organ. Soloists: John Duncan & George James.

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THIRD LOCAL RUGBY SEVENS TOURNEY?



The staff of St. Francis Hotel are football enthusiasts. Here is their junior eleven reserves and supporters. (Royal Studio).

Mindanao Should Beat South China At Baseball

Of the two League baseball games to be played this morning, weather permitting, the more interesting should be that between South China and U.S.S. Mindanao. Though the South China team made a good start to the season in their game against Recreio, the sailors should be able to secure the verdict.

The Mindanao team were not seen at their best last week, when in early injury to Ruell, the pitcher, and Douglas, their first-base man, disorganized the side, but with the return of these players, however, they should do better against South China.

The sailors have several hard hitters, among whom are Thomas, Horton and Douglas while their infield, when on form, will be hard to penetrate.

The Chinese will depend on the same side as last week. C. C. Lee who surprisingly lasted the whole game last week, will again be pitching with B. Woo at first base and Pau Ka-ping at short stop.

Fung King-cheng, who after an absence of several years played a creditable game at left-field last week, has been practicing hard and will probably be seen at second base this week.

RECREIO FAVOURED

Though Recreio have not been favoured by the best of luck so far this season they should register their first win this season when they clash with Hong Kong Baseball Club, in spite of the fact that they will not have the services of the Gosano brothers.

Alvaros will start on the mound and be relieved when and if necessary by Pereira, with Mendonca as catcher. Barros will probably be seen in his usual position at first base thus allowing Heltrao to return to second plate, where he is more at home.

Remaining League Fixtures

The following are the remaining fixtures in the local Baseball League.

U. B.	May 27	v S.C.A.A.
(2.30 p.m.)		
C.B.C.	May 28	v Recreio
(10.00 a.m.)		
South China	May 28	v H.K.B.C.
(11.30 a.m.)		
H.K.B.C.	June 3	v U.B.
(2.30 p.m.)		
C.B.C.	June 4	v S.C.A.A.
(10.00 a.m.)		
Recreio	June 4	v Mindanao
(11.30 a.m.)		
Mindanao	June 10	v C.B.C.
(2.30 p.m.)		
U.B.	June 11	v Recreio
(10.00 a.m.)		
Mindanao	June 11	v H.K.B.C.
(11.30 a.m.)		
C.B.C.	June 17	v H.K.B.C.
(2.30 p.m.)		
Recreio	June 18	v S.C.A.A.
(10.00 a.m.)		
U.B.	June 22	v H.K.B.C.
(11.30 a.m.)		

HOW JACK KEARNS, BROKE, AND TEX RICKARD, BADLY BENT, ARRANGED

By Leo Fuller.

THE GREATEST HEAVYWEIGHT BOXING BOUT IN HISTORY

EARLY one evening two men walked on to a dusty fair ground near Newark, New Jersey, and looked around for the burlesque show. The slim, dapper one was talking volubly as he dabbed his brow with a silk handkerchief, but his dark, tough looking companion merely nodded by way of reply.

At last they espied the tumble-down building, and walked around to the back entrance, where a small fellow was sitting on the steps with an over-large bowler hat resting on the bridge of his nose.

"What's the matter?" asked the dapper man. "The place looks dead."

"... and buried," replied the more burlesque impresario. "They've just cut off the lights. They want twenty-five bucks."

"Well, pay 'em for God's sake," grumbled the dapper man. "The little man in the bowler hat has grubbed resources came to nine dollars, twenty-five cents, and after a spirited debate, during which the talkative one offered to knock the owner's head off for signing an agreement under false pretences, he and his scowling companion walked fur-

iously away and boarded the train for New York.

Few know, and even fewer cared that the tough guy was a fighter by the name of Jack Dempsey, and the slim man his manager, Jack "Doc" Kearns. Few knew that these two were in process of making a fantastic fight history; that Dempsey was the 14th greatest heavy-weight champion the world has ever seen; that Kearns' agile mind was to envisage the first million dollar gates; that the pair were to handle sixteen million dollars between them before the cold silence of Gene Tunney was to dethrone the great Manu-mauler.

Flat Broke—As Usual

Yet there they were, flat broke as usual, without enough money to open in a broken-down burlesque show! It had been a couple of years since Kearns had met a scowling, iron-hard road kid on the ferry crossing San Francisco Bay. He had talked a fighting heart and soul into a dispirited boy, called him "Champ," and after the partnership's first knock-out victory, had steeled him through twenty murderous battles. They had made money, of course, but were both flat men with the dollar, with their purses mortgaged weeks ahead.

Arrived in New York half an hour later, Kearns sent Dempsey to bed in a cheap West Side hotel. Then he went prowling around the Broadway spots, with the intention of putting the big man in some acquaintance for a five dollar bill. As he entered the lobby of one hotel, he was halted by a friend who drew him over and said:

"Say, Jack, I want you to meet Tex Rickard."

"To hell with him," said Kearns amicably, and straight away there was an angry exchange of insults.

It appeared that Kearns was under the impression that Rickard, whom he had never met before, had stolen Lee Darcy, the great Australian light heavyweight from him. Explanations followed, and Rickard, a middle-sized man, carrying a cane and wearing a Stetson hat over a thin, weather-beaten face, explained it all satisfactorily. There had been misunderstandings. There had been misunderstandings.

Then they both discovered they had mined for gold in the fabulous city of Nome, Alaska, and immediately they went into a huddle, nostalgically recalled those tough, colourful days. Rickard had made and lost several fortunes. A gambler always, he had entered the fight game by promoting the great Joe Gans-Battling Nelson fight, and had gone on from there. But now he had been out of the fight game for three or four years, little dreaming that he and this man, Kearns, would bring it to boxing the most spectacular era it has ever known!

Girl Friend Hostages

A few drinks oiled the wheels of friendship, and Rickard suggested visiting the beer gardens in Hell's Kitchen, on the West Side. They were halfway there when Kearns suddenly remembered that couple of his girl friends were anxiously waiting for him in a restaurant where he had previously had dinner. At the end of the meal he had been horrified to discover that he hadn't enough money to pay the bill, and had been forced to leave the girls as hostages, whilst he set about raising a few dollars! He went back to the restaurant, and rescued the two highly indignant young ladies, who had been sitting for two hours under the suspicious eyes of the management!

Sitting down at a table in the beer gardens, the four of them ordered drinks. Rickard, with characteristic levity, pulled down his pocket a roll of bills thicker than his arm; and with characteristic swiftness Kearns

GERMANY WITH BACK TO WALL IN DAVIS CUP SERIES

Warsaw, Yesterday. Germany are leading Poland by one match to all in the Davis Cup tournament as the result of exciting play in yesterday's opening singles matches, which were witnessed by a gallery of 5,000 spectators.

In the first match Roderick Menzel, No. 2 ranking German player, beat Count Bavorovski 7-5, 6-3, 2-6, 2-6, 6-4 after 2½ hours play.

The second match had to be abandoned due to bad light when the Polish champion, Toczynski, was leading Henkel, German champion, 6-4, 6-8, 6-4.

The fact that Henkel is partnering Metaxa against Count Bavorovski and Sebda in the doubles match on Sunday does not improve Germany's chances of winning the match.

Sweden And Denmark All Square

Stockholm, yesterday.—Sweden and Denmark each claimed a point at the end of the first day's play in their Davis Cup tie.

Floumann (Denmark) beat Hultmann 6-1, 6-0, 6-3 while Sweden's leading player, Schroeder, defeated Holst 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.—Trans-Ocean.



One of the many spectacular tackles in the Rugby Cap Final at Wembley Stadium on May 6, when Halifax beat Salford by 20 points to 3. Here is Hudson well and truly "grounded" by a Halifax rival after making a grand bid to go through and score. (Copyright, Fox).

leaned over and stripped off a couple of twenties.

Suddenly from the bar came a crashing of glass, followed by a furious uproar, which on investigation between Freddie Welsh, the English lightweight champion, and his manager.

The manager had broken a bottle over Welsh's head, whereupon the boxer had leapt at him, and bitten his ear off.

In split seconds the place was a shambles. Rickard and Kearns joined in, holding Welsh back, while the manager bled profusely. Suddenly it was found that if the ear could be found it would be easy to sew it on again. There was immediately a frenzied search for the unfortunate victim's ear, in which a contrito Freddie Welsh joined.

Kearns found it, but in the excitement it had been laid on the radiator and was fried to a frazzle.

The uproar subsided, and Kearns and Rickard stayed together for several hours. The Doc talked Dempsey until his throat was dry, and he urged Rickard to stage a championship battle with Jess Willard, but Tex shook his head.

"Jack," he replied, somewhat thickly, "I lost a fortune in South America, and I don't think I could raise five thousand dollars."

Million Dollar Cable

"Well, let's try," Kearns implored, and he wrote the following telegram, addressed to Willard:

Advice you take this young kid Dempsey before he gets too good. Will you fight him in New York. Kearns made Rickard sign it. "Just put your name there and we'll be set," he said grandly, without a dime in his pocket.

Rickard signed, and at six in the morning the two rose to their feet, a little unsteadily, and wandered home.

Twelve hours later Rickard telephoned Kearns and asked in a bewildered manner the meaning of the telegram he had received from Willard, asking for a meeting in Kansas City. He had completely forgotten about the telegram. Kearns took a deep breath, and told him at length what it all meant. Rickard chuckled quietly, and eventually agreed to go to the meeting with the heavyweights.

And under such crazy circumstances began the negotiations that were to result in the greatest world title fight in static history; Kearns and Dempsey flat broke, and Rickard badly bent, the fight was to draw nearly a million dollars. Dempsey was to bring the giant Willard crashing, a blood-stained hulk, to the boards on a sun-soaked afternoon in Toledo, Ohio; before that there was to be the champion's 100,000 dollar guarantee fund; there were to be signed, in a dirty little station waiting room in Jersey City the articles for the fight; there was to be Dempsey's incredible training camp, conducted by Kearns like a circus, at

POLICE CONSIDER PROPOSAL

One of the most interesting items for discussion at the annual meeting of the Rugby Section of the Police Sports Board will be the organisation of a new Seven-A-Side competition at the end of next season.

There is no doubt that such a competition would meet with the support of Rugby enthusiasts in the Colony and with the present Police ground at Boundary Road available the tournament could be easily arranged on any spare Saturday early in March or April.

With the same interest that has been shown in the Club and Army Seven-A-Sides, the competition should afford an added attraction without in any way detracting from the great keenness shown in the Club's Blarney Stone Shield charity competition.

According to the promoters there will be no necessity for utilising more than a day, providing all games start promptly, and even with an entry of 15 teams the series could be completed in an afternoon.

LARGE UNITS CRICKET FINAL FIXED FOR TODAY

Weather permitting, the Final of the Large Units' Cricket Competition will be continued at Sookunpoo today, commencing at 11 a.m.

On the first day's play on Monday, Royal Engineers secured a narrow lead of 2 runs on the first innings from Royal Artillery.

R.E. 101 (Q.M.S. Buckle 33, Sgt. Carpenter 27, L/Sgt. Land 60).

R.A. 160 (Lt. Slapworth 41).

which spectators were to pay 40,000 dollars to see the Mauler work out, 13,000 dollars more than his actual purse!

There was to be the incredible balcony-hoop. There were to be many other things before Willard and Dempsey touched gloves, but the match was really made in Hell's Kitchen, to the sound of smashing glass and the uproar of brawling, by a moneyless advertisement with imagination.

By Jack Kearns, King Maker of the Ring!

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Leo Fuller has written 20 articles dealing with the highlights in boxing history, and the remaining 28 articles will appear exclusively in "The China Mail", commencing to-morrow.

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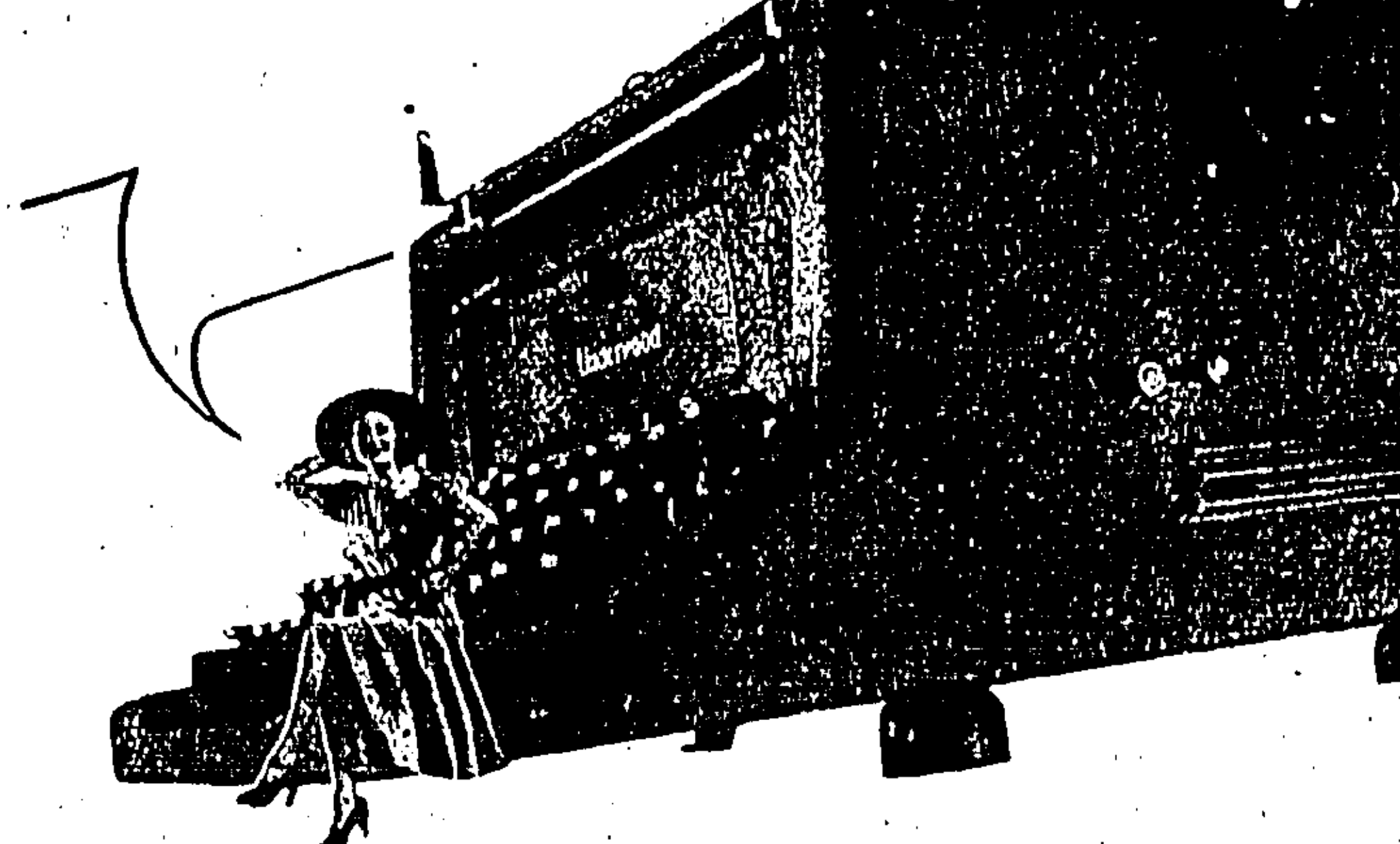
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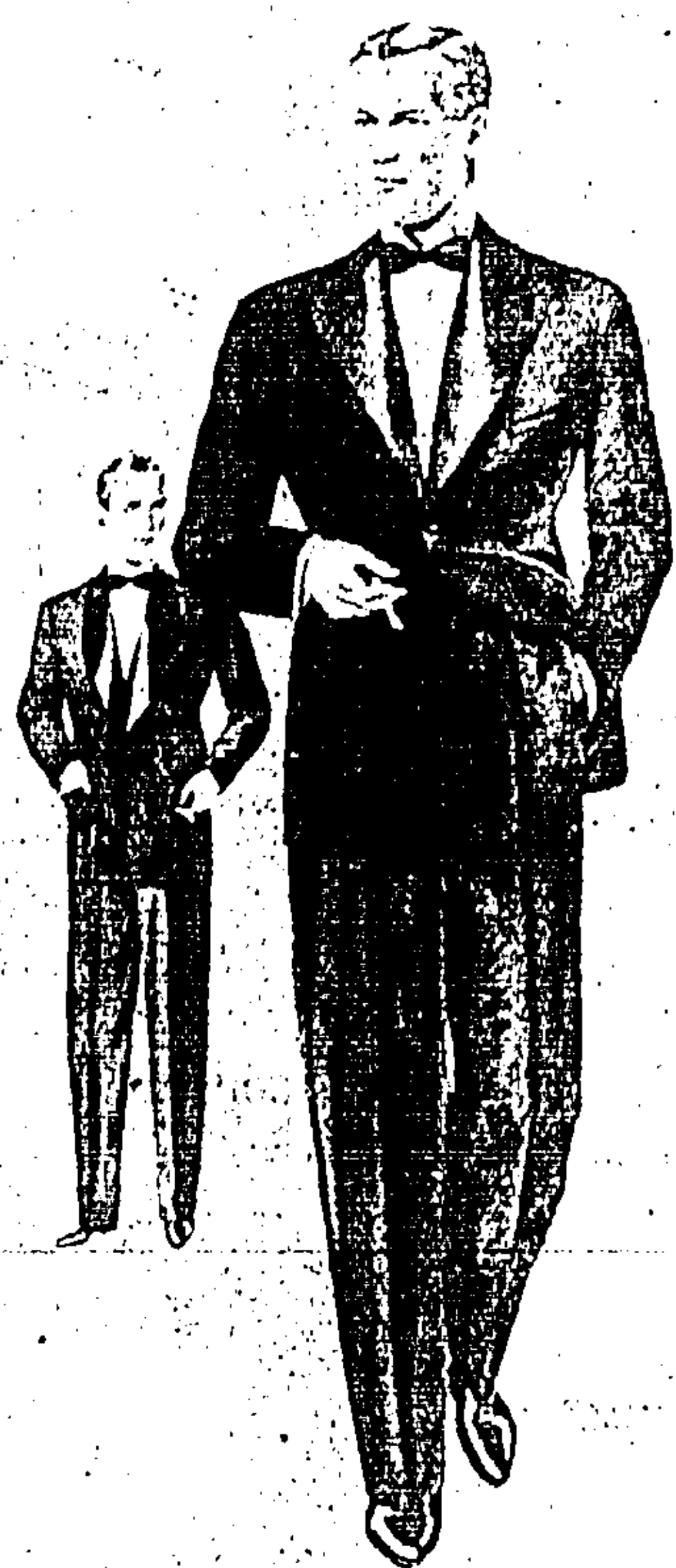
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MURDER at CHRISTMAS: POIROT'S STRANGEST CASE

'I won't have my wife bullied out of her life!'

by
AGATHA CHRISTIE

ON Christmas Eve Colonel Johnson, Chief Constable of Middlesex, went in response to a telephone call from Superintendent Sugden to investigate the murder of old Simeon Lee, diamond merchant millionaire.

Johnson took with him his guest, Hercule Poirot.

The victim's throat had been cut in a room where the door was locked on the inside and the windows were fastened.

No trace of the murderer or his weapon could be found, but a great deal of blood had been spilled about the disordered room.

Simeon Lee, a short time before his death, had reported to the police the loss of a number of uncut diamonds he kept in his safe.

Johnson questioned members of the family house-party—Simeon's sons, George, Alfred, Harry, David; his half-Spanish granddaughter, Pilar; his daughters-in-law; Stephen Farr, son of his former partner, Tressilian, the butler, and Horbury, the valet, told their stories. Mrs. Alfred Lee showed Poirot her miniature gardens.

He scooped a few pebbles from one of them. They were diamonds.

"No," said Sugden, "if Mrs. Lee took the diamonds—and it's a big if—it was just plain robbery, and it's true she might have prepared that garden specially as a hiding-place for them till the hue and cry had died down. Another possibility is that of coincidence. That garden, with its similarity of pebbles, struck the thief, whoever he or she was, as an ideal hiding-place."

Poirot said: "That is quite possible. I am always prepared to admit one coincidence."

Superintendent Sugden shook his head dubiously.

Poirot said: "What is your opinion?"

The Superintendent said cautiously: "Mrs. Lee's a very nice lady. Doesn't seem likely that she'd be mixed up in any business that was fishy. But, of course, one never knows."

Colonel Johnson said testily: "In any case, whatever the truth is about the diamonds, her being mixed up in the murder is out of the question. The butler saw her in the drawing-room at the actual time of the crime. You remember that, Poirot."

"I had not forgotten that," The Chief Constable turned to his subordinate.

"We'd better get on. What have you got to report? Anything fresh?"

"Yes, sir. I've got hold of some new information. To start with—Horbury. There's a reason why he might be scared of the police."

"Robbery? Eh?"

"No, sir. Extorting money under threats. Modified blackmail. The case couldn't be proved, so he got off, but I rather fancy he's got away with a thing or two in that line. Having a guilty conscience, he probably thought we were on to something of that kind when Tressilian mentioned a police officer last night, and it made him get the wind up."

The Chief Constable said: "He's so much for Horbury. What else?"

"Er—Mrs. George Lee, sir. We've got a line on her before her marriage. Was living with a Commander Jones. Passed as his daughter—but she wasn't his daughter—I think from what we've been told, that old Mr. Lee summed her up pretty correctly—he was smart where women were concerned, knew a bad lot when he saw one—and was just amusing himself by

taking a shot in the dark. And he got her on the raw!"

Colonel Johnson said thoughtfully:

"That gives her another possible motive—apart from the money angle. She may have thought he knew something definite and was going to give her away to her husband. That telephone story of hers is pretty fishy. She didn't telephone."

Sugden suggested:

"Why not have them in together, sir, and get at that telephone business straight? See what we get."

Colonel Johnson said: "Good idea."

He rang for Tressilian.

"Ask Mr. and Mrs. George Lee to come here."

"Very good, sir."

As the old man turned away Poirot said:

"The date on that wall calendar—has it remained like it is since the murder?"

Tressilian turned back.

The three men were sitting once more in Alfred Lee's small sitting-room. The calendar in question was a large one with tear-off leaves, a bold date on each leaf.

Tressilian peered across the room, then shuffled slowly across till he was a foot or two away.

He said:

"Excuse me, sir, it has been torn off. It's the twenty-sixth today."

"Ah, pardon. Who would have been the person to tear it off?"

"Mr. Lee does sir, every morning. Mr. Alfred, he's a very methodical gentleman."

"I see. Thank you."

Tressilian went out. Sugden said, puzzled:

"Is there anything fishy about that calendar, M. Poirot?"

With a shrug of his shoulders Poirot said:

"The calendar is of no importance. It was just a little experiment I was making."

Colonel Johnson said:

"Inquest to-morrow. There'll be an adjournment, of course."

Sugden said:

"Yes, sir. I've seen the coroner, and it's all arranged for."

George Lee came into the room accompanied by his wife.

Colonel Johnson said:

"Good morning. Sit down, will you? There are a few questions I want to ask you both. Something I'm not quite clear about."

"I shall be glad to give you any assistance I can," said George somewhat pompously.

The Chief Constable gave a slight nod to Sugden. The latter said:

"About those telephone calls on the night of the crime? You put through a call to Westeringham, I think you said, Mr. Lee?"

George said coldly:

"Yes, I did. To my agent in the constituency. I can refer you to him and—"

Superintendent Sugden held up his hand to stem the flow.

"Quite so—quite so, Mr. Lee. We're not disputing that point. Your call went through at 8.59 exactly."

"Well—I—er—couldn't say as to the exact time."

"Ah," said Sugden. "But we can! We always check up on these things very carefully. Very carefully indeed. The call was put through at 8.59, and it was terminated at 9.4. Your father, Mr. Lee, was killed about 9.15. I must ask you once more for an account of your movements."

"I've told you—I was telephoning!"

"No, Mr. Lee, you weren't!"

"Nonsense—you must have made a mistake! Well, I may, perhaps, have just finished telephoning—I think I debated making another call—was just considering whether it was—er—worth—the expense—when



"Magdalene looked distracted, burst into tears and ran sobbing from the room."

mired:

"It's usual."

George turned angrily on the Chief Constable.

"Colonel Johnson. Do you countenance this—this unprecedented attitude?"

"In a murder case, Mr. Lee, these questions must be asked—and answered."

"I have answered them! I had finished telephoning and was—er—deliberating a further call."

"You were in this room when the alarm was raised upstairs?"

"I was—yes, I was."

Johnson turned to Mag-

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A QUESTION which to-day occupies every thinking man's mind throughout the world is: "What are Germany's next political and economic aims?" Oswald Dutch, who last year wrote, "Thus Died Austria," here attempts to answer it by reference to the published programme of the Nazis themselves.

He analyses in detail the plans which Germany is and has been pursuing since Munich; the push to the East, the Ukraine, economic penetration of the Danube basin, attachment of Eastern European countries as vassal-states, Switzerland and Alsace-Lorraine, Southern Tyrol, plans against the Western Powers, the Colonies question, German aspirations in particular countries overseas, the threat of war and the distribution of forces.

Mr. Dutch presents, in plain language, Hitler's main aims. He writes: "One has only to examine a little the vast confused jumble of confessions which Hitler himself has written, to discover all his claims. Moreover, since the middle of 'Mein Kampf,' a more or less

clear and well-defined programme has actually been developed by Hitler himself and his political advisers. . . . Stripped of all their rhetoric, adornments, and pathos, his aims are:

1. A merger of all parts and sections of the German people, in so far as they live in compact groups on compact stretches of territory, into a homogeneous whole, in order to set wider the boundaries of the Reich and to form a powerful bloc in the heart of Europe.

2. The establishment of supremacy in Central and Eastern Europe in order to secure for Germany not only the highly important raw material bases of those territories, but also to open the road to the Russian lowland, destined to become the area of settlement for the future great world power, Germany.

3. The separation of France's military power from Russia's military might, destruction of all alliances existing between these two States in order, in case of war, to avoid being caught in the pincers between the Great Powers in the East and West, and to be able to defeat separately each of these 'hereditary enemies.'

4. The creation in addition of a sufficient source of raw materials outside Europe, i.e., the reacquisition of Germany's lost colonial possessions.

5. A final test of strength with Great Britain over supremacy at sea and thereby in the world.

Each of these five points is elaborated by Mr. Dutch with extracts from Hitler's own 'Mein Kampf.'

The view of the author is by no means that war is inevitable. He says: "Hitler does not want war. However much he may be urged to resort to the use of armed force by such of his advisers as Himmler and Goebbels, the Fuehrer knows full well that in a war he has very little to gain but possibly and in certain circumstances, everything to lose."

"But," asserts Mr. Dutch, "Hitler will always threaten war. He will bluff. He is the most accomplished poker player at the political card-table."

It is the author's opinion that Hitler will always give promises, will always conclude treaties and pledge his word of honour, but will keep none of them should a breach of faith, the tearing up of a treaty, bring him the slightest advantage. "The requirements of the German nation," "the bonds of blood," or some other such slogan, will always serve him as an excuse.

Halting Germany

How can the world's democratic and peaceful countries check Hitler's excessive aspirations? Mr. Dutch mentions four methods. They are:

1. Germany's rearmament and preparedness for war must be met with the same rearmament and preparedness for war; 2. German trade methods have to be beaten at their own game; 3. Germany's political tricks, dodges, and subterfuges must be anticipated; 4. Germany's refusal of currency transfer can only be broken down by identical counter-measures on the part of other nations.

The Patriot

IN her latest book, "The Patriot," published by Methuen, Pearl Buck takes up the story of New China, or the period from 1927 to the fall of Nanking at the hands of the Japanese army. The book's greatest merit is in the manner in which she has portrayed how, to the amazement of the beer-guzzling Old China Hands who said it couldn't be done, patriotism awoke in this country overnight.

She presents it in its true perspective, as a definite sequel to the 1927 massacres when, to the dismay of the working classes of the world, Chiang Kai-shek turned against the Communists who had helped him into power.

Wu I-wan, En-lan and Tama are the three main characters of this tale. I-wan is the favourite son of a rich Chinese family, the Far Eastern counterpart of Hackett's "large property owners who can see nothing but madness in a well-to-do man saying that Russians are respectable." But I-wan is also an idealist.

One day he meets En-lan, a young radical student and joins their band. But Chiang nips their plans in the bud. En-lan flees and joins the Communists in the "Long March" which Edgar Snow has helped to make famous.

I-wan, however, thanks to his rich family, is spared and is sent to Japan. There, he marries Tama, a Japanese girl and lives a quiet and ordered life,

prepared to renounce for ever the land of his birth. He is at first puzzled by the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.

But despite the efforts of the Japanese press, he instinctively feels that the war did not quite start as the Japanese spokesmen would have it. Despite the camouflage of the Japanese newspapers, I-wan does. He leaves his wife and family and returns to China. He meets En-lan when, at the personal request of General Chiang, he takes a message setting out plans for the union of the Kuomintang and Communist armies to meet the common foe. The book ends with I-wan and En-lan in the mountains of inner China, engaged in guerilla warfare and considerably heartened by news of a new road through Burma.

Despite a few defects, mainly from the point of view of interpretation of history, "The Patriot" presents in action form the story of China's renaissance, as told in such diversified books as "Red Star over China" and "The Tragedy of the Chinese Revolution." It also, in part, gives a fair exposition of the views of the Japanese people, mainly through the relations of I-wan and his Japanese wife and her family. An amazingly true picture of both Chinese and Japanese home-life is presented in the pages of this book, which is a worthy successor to Pearl Buck's three novels on the Wang family. —A. E. G.

Murder At Christmas

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delene. "I think, Mrs. Lee," he said, "that you stated that you were telephoning when the alarm broke out, and that at the time you were alone in this room?" Magdalene was flustered. She caught her breath, looked sideways at George—at Sugden, then appealingly at Colonel Johnson. She said: "Oh, really—I don't know—I don't remember what I said. . . . I was so upset. . . ."

Sugden said: "We've got it all written down, you know." She turned her batteries on him—wide, appealing eyes—quivering mouth. But she met in return the frigid aloofness of a man of stern respectability who didn't approve of her type. "I—I—of course I telephoned. I can't be quite sure just when."

She stopped. George said: "What's all this? Where did you telephone from? Not in

here." Superintendent Sugden said: "I suggest, Mrs. Lee, that you didn't telephone at all. In that case, where were you, and what were you doing?"

Magdalene glanced distractedly about her and burst into tears. She sobbed: "George don't let them bully me! You know that if any one frightens me and thunders questions at me, I can't remember anything at all! I—I didn't know what I was saying that night—it was all so horrible—and they're being so beastly to me."

She ran sobbing out of the room. Springing up, George Lee blustered: "What d'you mean? I won't have my wife bullied and frightened out of her life! She's very sensitive. It's disgraceful! I shall have a question asked in the House about the disgraceful bullying methods of the police. It's absolutely disgraceful!"

He strode out of the room and banged the door.

NEXT WEEK: "What's the matter, M. Poirot? Seen a ghost?"



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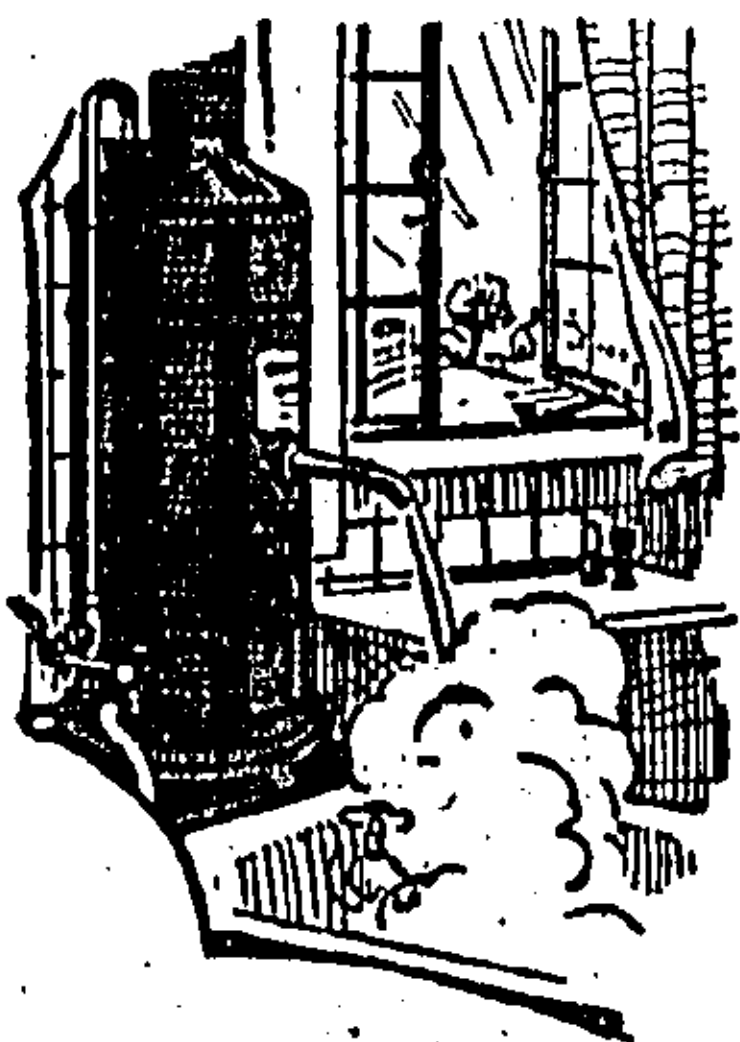
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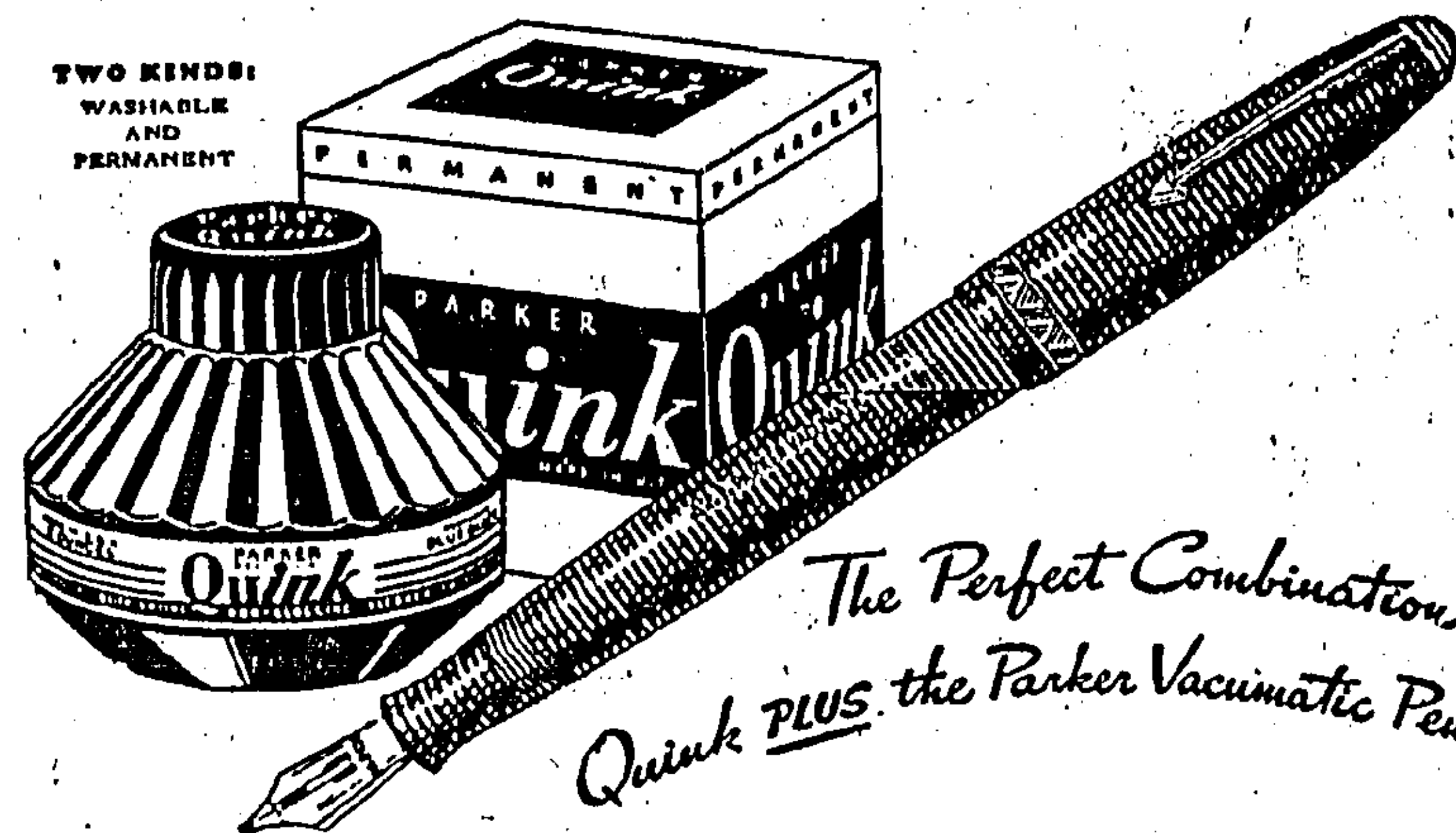
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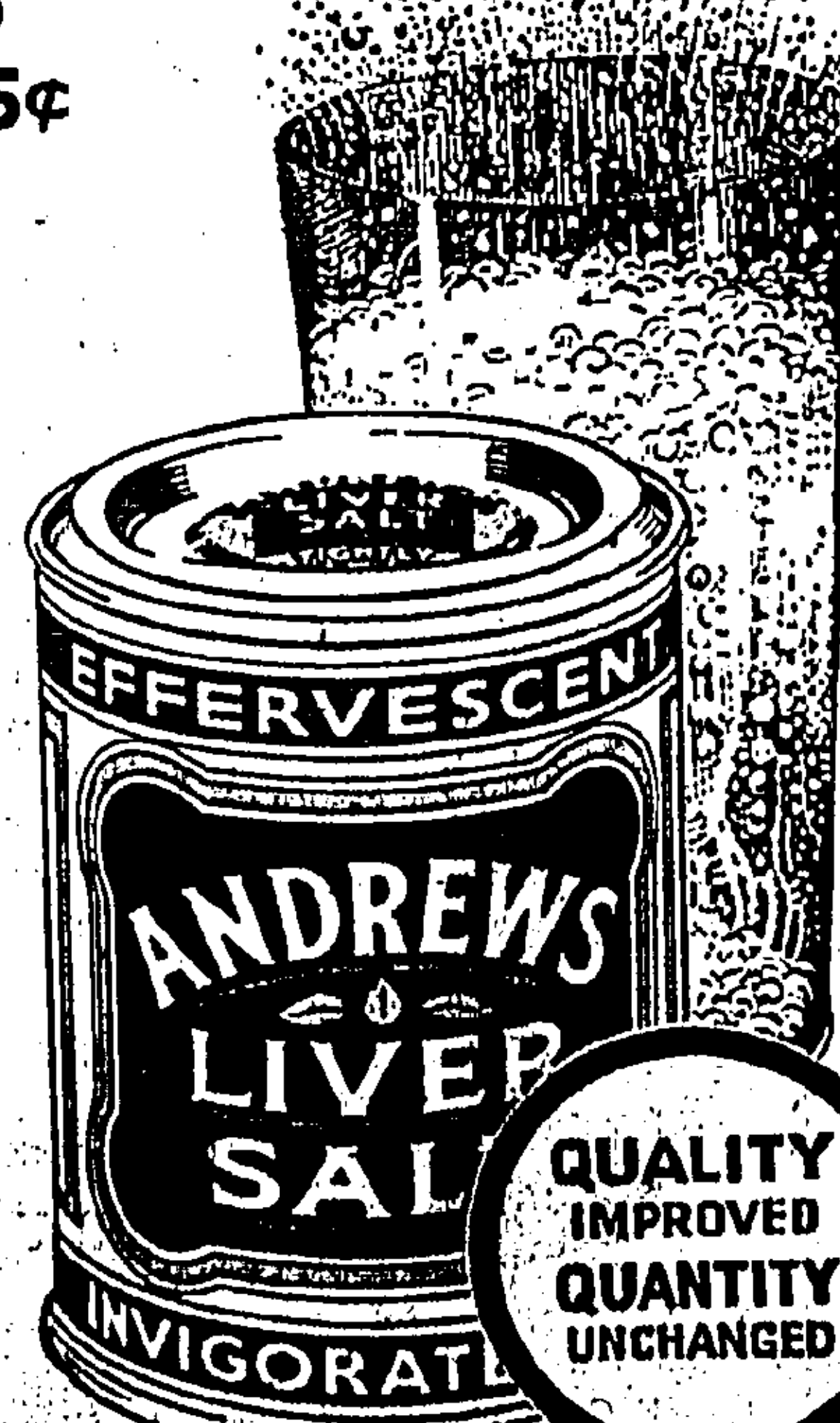
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BRITAIN'S REPLY TO JAPAN

London, Yesterday.
The American argument that the present is unsuitable for discussing changes in the administration of the Shanghai International Settlement was supported by Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador in Tokyo, in conversations with Mr. Arita, Japanese Foreign Minister.

This is according to official information released in London to-day.

Sir Robert Craigie gave the British observations on Japan's suggestions for changes, made on May 3.

In supporting the American view, it is understood that Sir Robert stated it would be necessary to consult with other governments, including the Chinese, obviously an impossibility at present. — Reuter.

COVERING THE ROYAL TRIP

Ottawa, Yesterday.
The King and Queen received about 80 press correspondents who are travelling in the pilot train accompanying the Royal train, together with members of the Ottawa parliamentary press gallery, at Government House early last evening.

Their Majesties were impressed when informed that no fewer than 750 journalists are at present covering the Royal tour. — Reuter.

CABINET SPLIT IN HOLLAND

Amsterdam, Yesterday.
The Netherlands Finance Minister, Dr. J. A. de Wilde, has resigned owing to divergence of views on financial policy.

It is unofficially reported the reason is in connection with differences over the fleet building programme. — Reuter.

Trans-Ocean says that the Finance Ministry will be provisionally taken over by the Premier, Dr. Colijn.

AIR EXPERTS IN FRANCE

Paris, Yesterday.
A delegation of British aeroplane manufacturers, headed by Mr. F. Handley Page, managing director of Handley Page, Ltd. and President of the Society of British Aircraft Constructors, is visiting plane works in France. — Reuter.

AUSTRALIA'S LOYALTY

Ottawa, Yesterday.
The Australian Premier has cabled the Canadian Premier informing him of Australia's deep interest in the King's tour of Canada and asking him to convey to Their Majesties Australia's loyalty. — Reuter.

IN MEMORIAM

WESTLAKE — In loving memory of "SON" from Mum and Dad. May 21st, 1938. Bristol.

WESTLAKE — In memory of my husband from his loving wife and daughter Ann. 21st May, 1938. Bristol.

DARING AIR RESCUE OF SICK EXPLORER



TIN HATS FOR POLICE.
Worn by an Essex special constable at a National Service display at Romford, Essex. It is blue in colour and the word "POLICE" on the front is in white letters, so that it will be discernable at night.

CHINA'S APPEAL TO LEAGUE

GENEVA, YESTERDAY.
CHINA'S APPEAL IS THE ONLY BIG INTERNATIONAL QUESTION WHICH FIGURES ON THE LEAGUE COUNCIL'S AGENDA, AND WILL BE UPERMOST IN THE DIPLOMATIC EXCHANGES SURROUNDING THE MEETING.

Danzig does not figure on the agenda and may not even be discussed by the advisory committee formerly appointed to deal with the question.

It is felt that the present moment is "inopportune" to deal with this explosive subject.

It has practically been decided that the British Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, will make a statement on the Palestine. White Paper. — Reuter.

"CZECH MINISTER"

Berlin, Yesterday.
Dr. Chvalkovski, former Czechoslovak Foreign Minister, to-day took over his duties as Czech Minister in Berlin.

His status as representative of the Czech "protectorate" is the same as that formerly held by Ministers of German States. — Trans-Ocean.

WAR CHIEF DEAD

Berlin, Yesterday.
A famous figure of the Great War died to-day in the person of General Count Friedrich von der Schulenburg, chief of staff of the army of the Crown Prince. — Trans-Ocean.

Jerusalem, Yesterday.
The immigration of Jews to Palestine has been suspended for 30 days. — Reuter.

Berlin, Yesterday.
It is authoritatively stated that Prince Paul, Regent of Yugoslavia, is arriving in Berlin on June 1. — Reuter.

The coop in the garden of Mr. H. Drayner's residence at No. 1, Kent Road, Bowdoin Tong, was raided by poultry thieves early on Friday morning.

Eighteen chickens were stolen, stated Mr. Drayner in a report to the Police.

Norwegian Pilot's Feat

Oslo, Yesterday.
A DARING rescue of an Arctic explorer by plane was successfully carried out yesterday.

The explorer, Count Micard, who was leading a French expedition in Greenland, was taken seriously ill some weeks ago at his headquarters in the north-eastern part of the island.

Yesterday a Norwegian plane which had been sent by the Government, flew him to a steamer off the coast.

A Norwegian member of the expedition, Willie Knudsen, who was also sick, was another passenger in the plane.

The rescue work proved extremely difficult as the steamer was surrounded by huge masses of floating ice.

After many efforts, a stretch of water large enough for the take-off of the plane, a seaplane, was obtained.

The machine had been brought from Norway on board the steamer.

The airman found the job of locating the expedition's camp very difficult, although the plane was in radio touch with the steamer and the explorers. — Trans-Ocean.

LITHUANIAN FREE PORT NEAR MEMEL

Berlin, Yesterday.
An agreement has been concluded as the result of negotiations between the German authorities and the Lithuanian trade delegation.

The Lithuanian Foreign Minister, M. Urbys, arrives here from Kaunas on Sunday to sign the document.

It is reported that Germany will obtain about 30 per cent. of the Lithuanian foreign trade.

Following the signing of the treaty it was officially announced that Germany is to create a new free port for Lithuania two miles south of Memel.

A special German-Lithuanian committee is to be established to discuss details of the new port.

In addition, Lithuania will be granted two free port zones in Memel harbour itself.

SO FRIENDLY
The commune states the negotiations leading to the treaty were conducted in so friendly a spirit that a comprehensive permanent agreement was reached in a comparatively short time.

The commune does not mention the volume of Lithuania's trade which Germany has agreed to take, but Reuter understands the figure is between 30 and 35 per cent. of the total. — Reuter.

FRANCO DECORATIONS

Burgos, Yesterday.
General Franco has conferred the Grand Collar of the Imperial Order of the Red Arrow upon President Carmona of Portugal.

General Franco has conferred the Grand Cross of the same Order upon Signor Boghni, chief of the Italian police, and Herr Himmler, chief of the German police. — Reuter.

AVALANCHE DISASTER IN ITALY

Paris, Yesterday.
Twenty workmen sitting in a shack were buried when a terrific mass of snow crashed down the Vall Forrozza, near Domo d'Ossola, according to a Rome despatch.

Five of the injured men were rescued, and 11 bodies have been found. — Reuter.

PREMIER DELUDING HIMSELF

BERLIN, YESTERDAY.
MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY IS SPLASHED IN THIS MORNING'S NEWS-PAPERS.

Editorial comment, however, minimises its importance.

The only part of the speech which is strongly criticised is Mr. Chamberlain's remark that Britain will consider Germany's colonial claims if there is reason to believe Germany will behave.

VAGUE SUGGESTIONS
The press warns Mr. Chamberlain that he is deluding himself if he imagines he can win over German opinion with vague suggestions of goodwill.

In reference to the Anglo-Soviet negotiations, "Lokalanzeiger" declares that it is a severe trial to German patience when Mr. Chamberlain announces again and again that his policy is not encirclement. — Trans-Ocean and Reuter.

LABOUR UNION THREATS IN MEXICO

Mexico City, Yesterday.
A demand that President Cardenas hand over absolute management of the petroleum industry, on conditions similar to those under which labour at present administers the national railways, is being made by the Mexican Petroleum Workers Union.

The Union is meeting here over the week-end.

The notice of the conference emphasises that the Union will fight to the bitter end any suggestion that the President and Mr. Donald Richberg (the American attorney who is conducting negotiations on behalf of the expropriated foreign oil companies) should reach a settlement on the basis of return of properties or their management to the former owners. — Reuter.

SOVIET MISSION IN LATVIA

Riga, Yesterday.
The Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, M. Potemkin, may visit Latvia in the next few days.

There is no official comment on the reported visit. — Trans-Ocean.

Athens, Yesterday.
The Greek Premier, General Metaxas, to-day received Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, head of the British trade mission.

Later General Metaxas received Lord Lloyd, President of the British Council. — Reuter.

KING'S BIRTHDAY PARADE

OTTAWA, YESTERDAY.
FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY THE KING IS TO-DAY SPENDING HIS OFFICIAL BIRTHDAY IN ONE OF THE DOMINIONS.

A national holiday has been proclaimed in Canada, and the special celebrations include trooping the colour by the Brigade of Canadian Guards and a garden party at Government House.

The Queen will be broadcast when laying the corner stone of the Ottawa Supreme Court building this morning.

TWIN CITY

Their Majesties are then touring the twin city across the river, and are lunching at the home of the Premier, Mr. Mackenzie King, who is presiding at a dinner for Their Majesties to-night at the Chateau Laurier Hotel.

Last night, the Governor-General, Lord Tweedsmuir, and Lady Tweedsmuir, gave a dinner for Their Majesties at Government House, followed by a reception. — Reuter.

KHO SIN-KIE BEATS PETRA IN DAVIS CUP

PARIS, YESTERDAY.
KHO SIN-KIE, CHINA'S RANKING TENNIS PLAYER, TO-DAY DEFEATED PETRA, OF FRANCE, IN THE FOURTH MATCH OF THE DAVIS CUP CONTEST BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES.

France had already won the round by gaining the first three matches.

The draw was altered to enable the respective ranking players to meet.

Petra unleashed a terrific all-court attack in the first set, smashing everything within reach.

Kho steadily improved in the second set, exploiting the passing shot, and after this was definitely the better player and won without much difficulty.

Scores in Kho's favour were 2-6, 9-7, 6-3, 6-4. — Reuter.

Pellizza (France) beat Ho 7-5, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, and France thus won the contest by 4 matches to 1.

CRICKET LUNCH SCORES

London, Yesterday.
The following were the lunch scores in cricket matches started to-day:

Northants 100 for 7 v. Derby, at Derby.

Essex 81 for 3 v. Yorkshire, at Ilford.

Somerset 128 for 1 v. Leicestershire, at Leicester.

Middlesex 124 for 2 v. Gloucestershire, at Lord's.

Notts 78 all-out v. Kent, at Trent Bridge.

West Indies 93 for 2 v. Surrey, at the Oval.

Glamorgan 74 for 8 v. Sussex, at Hove.

Lancs. 79 for 2 v. Warwick, at Birmingham.

Hants 100 for 5 v. Worcester, at Worcester. — Reuter.

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